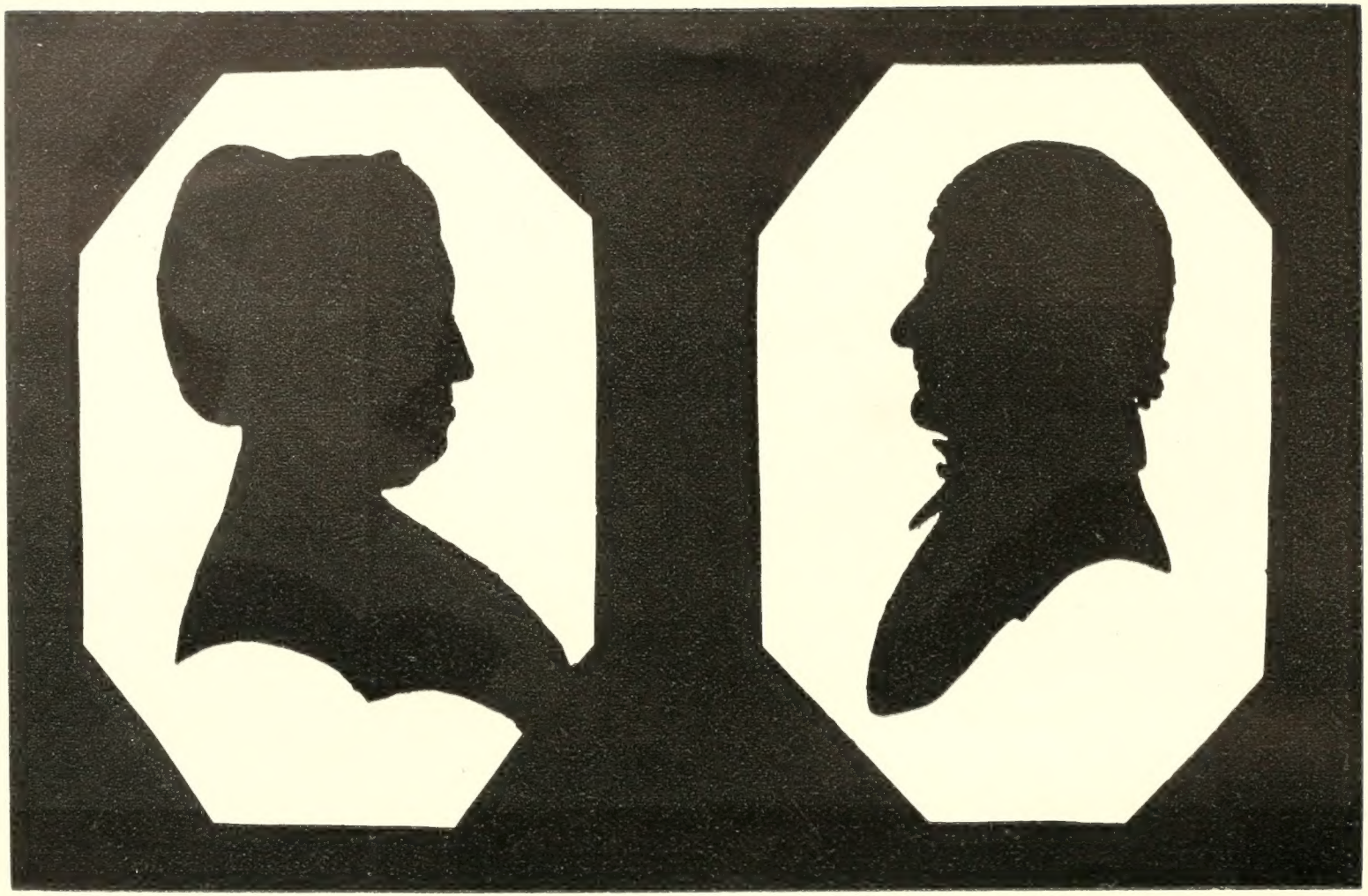

CALEB BENTON,

AND HIS WIFE

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Their Ancestors and Their Descendants

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TO THE PRESENT

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"What boots it on the lineal tree to trace,
Through many a branch, the founders of our race—
Time-honoured chiefs—if, in their right, we give
A loose to vice, and like low villains live."

ABBREVIATIONS.

b. signifies born.
d. " died.
m. " married.
s. " single.
bapt. " baptized.
dau. " daughter.

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TO THE INTERESTED.

The compiler of this monograph was the last born of the forty-four grandchildren of Caleb and Sarah Benton, his birth lacking but a few months of being an even century from that of the former. Of these forty-four, only five are living at the present time of writing, July, 1905. As a record this work is far from being complete,—genealogical records are never complete,—but delays are dangerous, and it has been deemed best to save in print some portion of that which has thus far been collected.

The silhouette which appears on the frontispiece is from the only portrait in existence of Caleb and Sarah Benton, and, it is supposed, was made about the year 1816. As a matter of convenience to the readers the genealogical tables are placed together, after the historical chapters. In the eighth chapter I have used a system of numbering which, with a slight examination, will be easily understood. The number at the left is the family number, while the number at the right leads to the descendants of that member of the family, and in turn becomes, itself, a family number. By this means either the ancestors or descendants of any individual in the records can be readily traced. By referring to the chart the reader will the more readily understand the order and relationship of the various ancestors.

The writer gladly acknowledges his indebtedness to the many from whom he has derived assistance, whether in print or otherwise, especially to Mr. Charles H. Benton and Mr. John H. Benton; and also to his brothers, Orville and Myron, the former of whom was the first to collect and arrange some of the records of the family ancestry, but they have both passed to the completion of their own records, leaving to their brother the task of continuing the work.

CHAPTER I.

TRANS-ATLANTIC BENTONS.

The Benton family is of Norman origin, and the English records of it are said to have been traced back to the 12th century. It is early found in the southeast parts of Wiltshire, about fifty miles from Guilford, Surrey Co., England, and much of interest regarding the family is found in the history of that place. The following is taken from an account of the family in Kimber & Johnson's "Baronetage of England":

"Sidney, in his treatise on Government, mentions this family to be of great antiquity; that in name and ancient possessions it equals and is far superior to any of the nobility whose names he enumerates. And indeed it appears, from a very curious pedigree of the family preserved in the Royal Museum, that in the time of Henry II, they were made Knights of St. John of Jerusalem."

The family had several coats of arms. Illustrations of seven of them may be seen in "Samuel Slade Benton, His Ancestors and Descendants," by J. H. Benton, Jr. Hinman, in his catalogue of the names of the early colonists of Connecticut, says that the Bentons were descended from the gentry, and were entitled to coats of arms. The writer is in possession of an old engraving entitled "Benton Castle," which shows the ruins of an ancient fortress on Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, on a beautiful small promontory three miles N. N. E. of Pembroke, which is in the extreme southwestern portion of Wales. It is very picturesque, but the "castle" has the appearance of having been in ruins for many centuries. The engraving itself was made more than a century ago.

The name is also found engrafted in the names of places, as "Little Benton," "Long Benton," and "Benton Hall," in the county of Northumberland. Bentons also abound in other portions of England, and in Scotland, and though few of the name seem to have come to this country, the family has been widely distributed in the English island. The present spelling of the name is undoubtedly very ancient, but some who have investigated the matter believe that the *Boyntons* and *Bentons* were descended from a common ancestry. The names are similar and the arms are almost identical, and both families came from Wiltshire. In some of

the old English law reports the name is spelled *Baynton,* and in some others it is cited as *Benton.* Indeed, in following it back into the obscurity of the past, the spelling is found to be as various as that of most English names; including "Baynton," "Bayntun," "Bayntin," "Bentun," etc. The following epitaph, said to be found in Bronham, Wilts, England, is quite worth preserving for its very quaintness:

Here lyeth Sir Edward Bayntun Knight within this marble clod
By Agnes Ryce his first trew wife that thyrtyne children had
Whereof she left alyve with him at her departure thre
Henry Anne and Elizabeth whose pictures here you see
These little figures standinge bie present ye nomber here }
The six days of Auguste she deceased of Christe ye year } 1574.
For whose remembrance here in tombe these lynes be left in brosse
Anno Dmi 1578.

The Bentons of New England are descended from Edward Benton and Andrew Benton. These two were formerly supposed to have been brothers, but it now appears that Edward was uncle to Andrew, the latter being the son of Edward's oldest brother, John. Until quite recently nothing was known of the English ancestry of the New England Bentons, but thanks to the efforts of Mr. Charles H. Benton, who, though an American, has been engaged in business in London, Eng., for several years, we are now in possession of some records pertaining thereto. Mr. Benton found the object of his search in the Epping (Essex, Eng.) Parish Registers. The Parish Rector showed him much kindness and gave him free access to the parish records, from which he transcribed all the entries of birth, marriage and burial, relating to the name, enough for a volume in itself. These records having been placed in the hands of Mr. John H. Benton, of Washington, D. C. (a descendant of Andrew), who has also given much effort to the study of genealogical records, he has sorted and compared them with the records which we already had. The result and summary of his investigation is so concise that I give it here; it is as follows:

"There were two Bentons, Edward and Andrew, uncle and nephew, both born in the Parish of Epping (18 miles northeast of London), in Essex, England, the former in February, 1600, the latter in October, 1620, who came to America in 1638; probably direct to Wethersfield, Conn., and presumably under the auspices of Sir Richard Saltonstall, who was interested in strengthening the colony at that place. In April of the following year (1639) Andrew Benton was one of the party that came from Wethersfield with the Rev. Peter Prudden, and with it became a first set-

tler of Milford, ten miles west of New Haven, Conn. And in the same year, or at least as early as 1640, Edward Benton removed from Wethersfield to Guilford, Conn., sixteen miles east of New Haven. That 1638 was the year, and Wethersfield was the place of their arrival in this country, is drawn from the fact of Andrew Benton's coming from that place to Milford as early as April of the following year; and from the additional fact that the Epping registers show that Edward Benton's third son, Edward by name, was baptized there (Epping) Jan. 27, 1638; and the Guilford, Conn., records show that a daughter was born to him at the latter place in September, 1640, and they further state that he was from Wethersfield."

The following is the Trans-Atlantic Benton genealogy, as sent to me by Mr. John H. Benton:

Edward Benton and Joane Halloway, married May 10, 1563.
He was buried Sept. 16, 1605. She was buried Nov. 4, 1599.

Their children.

Joane, bapt. Feb. 13, 1564.
ANDREW, bapt. Dec. 2, 1565.
Edward, bapt. March 19, 1568; buried Nov., 1603.
Elizabeth, bapt. March 12, 1570.
Rachel (no record of bapt.), buried Nov. 3, 1582.
Mathew (no record of bapt.), buried April 3, 1588.

Family of Andrew Benton, son of Edward and Joane.

He married Mary ———. He died in 1623 or 1625. The register says, "Marie the widowe of Andrew Benton buried Jan. 3, 1642."

Their children.

JOHN, bapt. 1595.
Andrew, bapt. Jan. 1, 1598.
EDWARD, bapt. Feb. 24, 1600; died at Guilford, Conn., Oct. 28, 1680.
Ralph, bapt. June 13, 1602.
Susan, bapt. March 10, 1605.
Mary, bapt. Oct. 16, 1608. Buried March 6, 1610.
Marie, bapt. Dec. 3, 1612.

Family of John Benton, son of Andrew and Mary.

He married Mary Southernwood.
He was buried Feb. 12, 1662, and she was buried May 26, 1660.

Their children.

ANDREW, bapt. Oct. 15, 1620; died at Hartford, Conn., July 31, 1683, "aged 63 years."
Thomas, bapt. Aug. 25, 1622.
Marie, bapt. June 29, 1625.
Elizabeth, bapt. Aug. 31, 1628.

Family of Edward Benton, son of Andrew and Mary.

He married Jan. 15, 1626, Alice Purden.

His children.

Rebecka, bapt. June 8, 1628. (English record.)
DANIEL (no English record), died June 10, 1672. (Guilford, Conn., record).
Andrew (no English record), died Jan. 13, 1714. (Guilford, Conn., record).
Edward, bapt. Jan. 27, 1638 (English record), died Feb. 19, 1698. (Wethersfield, Conn., record).
Hannah, born Sept. 28, 1640.
Mary, born Feb. 2, 1642.
John, born June 10, 1643.
Tabitha, born 1645.
Elizabeth, born June 3, 1647.
Sarah, born Nov. 4, 1650.
Zacheus, born Aug. 27, 1652.
The last seven names are from the records of Guilford, Conn.

These English records only take us two generations back of the immigrant, Edward, to his grandfather of the same name, and give no clue as to which of the historical families he sprung from. So far as can be learned, however, the families which have borne the name in England were of the kind of people that one likes to be descended from, and the probabilities are that our immediate English ancestors of the name were "crestless yeomen," tillers of the soil, who came to this newer England in quest of that higher freedom which was denied them in the land of their birth; for, "This is never to be forgotten, that our New England is originally a plantation of religion and not a plantation of trade."

But in coming to New England we are confronted with another record, that of "Anne, wife of Edward Benton," who died at Guilford, Conn., August 22nd, 1671, not young, for her last child (if it was hers) was born in 1652. When and where did Alice (Purden) Benton die, which of

the eleven recorded children were hers, and which were the children of "Anne?" Alice probably died before Edward came to Guilford, or we should find there a record of her death. She may have been swept away in the great mortality by which the first comers were sorted and thinned. The records show that the bereaved of either sex, in that time of stress and trial, did not wait long before re-mating. The peculiar conditions to which they were subject made the institution of the family, and the helpfulness of the sexes to each other, a necessity that we can hardly realize, and it was not unusual for those pioneers to find that our conventional time of waiting was quite too long for them to remain in widowhood.

Of the previous condition of "Anne," whether widow or spinster, whether married in old England or in New England, and which of Edward's children she bore, these are matters which we are not at present able to determine.

CHAPTER II.

NEW ENGLAND PATERNAL LINE.

The colonists who settled Guilford, Conn., in the autumn of 1639, came to New Haven on a ship which set sail from London, Eng., in the preceding May, reaching New Haven in July; it being the first ship direct from England which ever cast anchor in that harbor.

> "The sight of y^e^ harbour did so please y^e^ Captain of the Ship and all the passengers that he called it 'Fayre Haven.' "

As was the case with the Plymouth *voyageurs* of nineteen years before, the weeks of comradeship in the solitudes of the Atlantic prompted them to draw up for signature a formal compact for mutual assistance and brotherhood, in which they "do faithfully promise, each for ourselves and our families and those that belong to us, that we will the Lord assisting us, sit down and join ourselves together in one entire plantation and be helpful each to the other in any common work according to every man's ability as need shall require, and we promise not to leave each other or the plantation, but with the consent of the rest," etc.

This "Covenant," which is still preserved, is signed by twenty-five men, heads of families, and though the name of Edward Benton is not among them (it is not supposed, however, that the list includes all in the party who were heads of families), there appears the names of four others who were ancestors of Caleb or Sarah Benton; John Bishop, John Stone, Richard Gutridge and Abraham Cruttenden,—as well as William Chittenden, whose great-grandson became the step-father of Sarah Bishop, and whose great-granddaughter became the step-mother of Caleb Benton. The colony had for stanch friends the leaders of both the New Haven and Saybrook plantations, and were thus enabled to soon select and purchase from the Indians lands midway between them. This they did, and the town of Guilford—including the present town of Madison—had its beginning in the autumn of 1639. It was destined to be the dwelling place, first or last, of a great majority of the American ancestors of Caleb and Sarah Benton, and the burial place of many of them. Hence it was that

in the childhood of the writer the name "Guilford" was the warp through which was entwined the woof of innumerable family traditions.

That they were a purely agricultural band was evident from the fact that they found it necessary, as soon as they did "sit down," to engage a mechanic from another colony, and give him a piece of land as an inducement for him to join them. In laying out the town they did what all English colonies that settled in New England did, they set aside for public use a "village green." It is quadrilateral in form, longest north and south, comprising about twelve acres. On it stood the churches and the town hall, and portions of it were also used as a cemetery. During the first half of the last century the buildings, as well as the grave-stones, were removed and the ground was converted into a public park, but all those who died in Guilford previous to that time are buried there. Some of the stones are stored in other cemeteries and some are about the First Congregational Church.

Between "The Green" and the harbor is a broad expanse of areable and very fertile land which became designated the "Great Plain." To the north of the village is much rough and rocky land, suitable only for pasturage, but having some narrow valleys of tillable land. Each head of a family received a "home lot" for his house and garden, and necessary home appurtenances, his plot on the "Great Plain," on which to raise grain, land to the northward for pasturage and wood, and finally a definite portion of the wide-spreading marsh at the borders of the mouth of East River, on which to cut his salt hay. For a long time the "Great Plain" was not fenced at all, but the highway to the harbor was entered by a gate at the southwest corner of "The Green."

Edward Benton had his home lot at the northwest corner of "The Green." It contained two acres, and was bounded on the north by Broad street. The fact that his home lot was in an advantageous position seems to indicate that he was a member of the colony at the time of its settling; otherwise he would only have found place on one of the side streets.

Thus we find him, having lived four decades in old England, now beginning in New England the last half of his long life, at his new home which looked out on the blue waters of Long Island Sound. Whether he was a "prominent citizen" or not, he was successful in being the sort of a citizen that made New England possible. In those pioneer conditions he brought to manhood and womanhood eight of the ten children recorded to him in America, and, according to the times, he was prosperous in a modest way, and public spirited too, for we find that when, in 1650, a canvas was made to ascertain whether a minister could be supported, he professed his ability and willingness to pay his share.

"Goodm. Benton" was made a Freeman by 1651, which shows that he was at that time a church member. His will, executed March 7th, 1675-6, is of interest. It states that, "as the holy Providence of God hath left the burden of a crippled child upon my hand to be cared and provided for, who may live and be burdensome after my decease, Zacheus Benton by name, and that affliction is an interruption to the more equal distribution of my small estate amongst all my children, I do, therefore, give only the sum of 5 shillings apiece unto my five children"—not including Zacheus or Andrew—and to "my son Zacheus Benton, I give a colt, which he shall choose." "Item, I give to my son Daniel's widow a cow" . . . "Lastly all the rest of my estate . . . I give unto my son Andrew Benton, upon condition that he shall duly attend and provide for his brother Zacheus Benton, during the term of his natural life with all the necessities of food and raiment, washing and lodging, suitable for him." Andrew is also made Executor.

Daniel Benton, son of Edward, was, without doubt, born in England, though no official record of his birth has thus far been found; but from various facts which have come to light I am led to place it at about 1630-31, intervening between that of Rebecka, bapt. June 8th, 1628, in England, and that of Andrew, which must have been as early as 1633, for it is recorded that Daniel Benton and Andrew Benton were made Freeman (took "the oath of fidelity") May 4th, 1654, and presumably they must have both been of age then. Daniel was married November 23rd, 1658, to Rachel Goodrich, who died in October, 1685, and the births of four children are recorded, one son and three daughters. In 1669 his home lot was one of two and a half acres in a central position at the north end of "The Green."

Daniel's only son, Ebenezer[2] Benton, was married June 14, 1694, to Abigail Grave, granddaughter of George Grave, and though he was past thirty at the time, yet they lived to enjoy nearly three score years of married life. He inherited the home lot at the north end of "The Green," and its subsequent history is of interest. There is an unwritten law of antiquity, in accordance with which, in the transfer of title by deed, the compensation or price for the property is named. The transfer of this home lot to his son, Caleb[1] Benton, by Ebenezer, is unique in its conformity to this custom, and deserves to be quoted. It is as follows:

> "To all People to whome these prefents Shall come Greeting—
> Know ye the we Ebenezer Benton of Guilford in the County of Newhaven in the Colony of Connecticutt in New England & Abigail his wife (for and in Consideration of the Love Goodwill & Parental affections which we have and do bear towards our Loving Son

Caleb Benton of Guilford afow^{sd} and for and towards his advancement and Settlement in the world) Do Give Grant and Confirm unto The S^{d} Caleb Benton," etc.

"In Witnefs whereof we have hereunto Set our Hands and Seals this Twenty fourth Day of April in the Twentieth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George y^{e} Second of Great Britain King Annoque Domini 1747."

Ebenezer Bentun (Seal)
Abigail Benton (Seal)

The instrument is witnessed by John Davis, Jr., and Luce Wood.

This lot in time passed from Caleb to his son, Caleb Benton, Jr., and was held by him until his migration in 1794, when he sold it to his cousin, Lot Benton, who, in 1814, sold it to the First Congregational Church, who were in need of a site on which to move their church building, that until then had stood on "The Green."

Ebenezer had come to manhood's estate at a time when the colony, established in privation and hardship, had attained to a comfortable prosperity, and during that era there were many substantial houses built, which still remain. They were, for the most part, marked exteriorly by the overhang of the second and attic stories, and interiorly by the capacious fireplaces of the time, and the immense projecting posts and beams. Ebenezer built one of these houses, a massive, two-story structure, pretentious and ornate for its day, on the lot at the end of "The Green." But when the lot passed to the possession of the Church the house was moved to the harbor a mile distant, where it still stands, bearing a somewhat meditative and lonesome aspect in its incongruous surroundings. The fine well of water which was at the homestead is now accessible in the basement of the church, and in the same apartment are stored the grave-stones of Ebenezer and his wife, on which the name is spelled *Bentun*, according to a fad which he followed, though neither his ancestors nor his descendants—or even his wife—spelled it in that way. The reader will have noticed that he signed the deed in that form, though in the body of the instrument, and in his wife's signature, it is spelled in the customary way.

He is frequently mentioned in the records of the town, both in deeds and other documents, generally with the prefix, "Ensign," with its various abbreviations. He is put down in 1690 as having served in the Indian wars. But after a time he tired of public service, and on October 12th, 1727, he resigned his position as Ensign, because "old and infirm." Yet he lived thirty-one years thereafter, to the age of ninety-five. From papers preserved in the family it is evident that he spent his last years with his "Loving Son Caleb," who, with the delightful freedom in orthography

which prevailed among all classes at that time, recorded in his journal as follows:

Januwary Ye 7, 1755.
Then was our Honered father
wounded by a fall.

Many papers of his are preserved, and the writer has an antique table which, family tradition says, was his, but how much older still it may be, no one can tell. Of his descendants of the name, some remained in Guilford, while some settled early in Litchfield, Conn., Berkshire County, Mass., Vermont, New York and New Jersey, from which places they spread westward with the tide of the race.

Caleb[4] Benton, or "Caleb Benton, Sen.," as he usually signed himself (for he had a son Caleb), remained in Guilford, where he married Sarah Stone, great-granddaughter of John Stone. I have an age-yellowed scrap of paper on which is inscribed, in a scholarly but exceeding large hand, a formal "Notice," evidently intended for reading at the Church service, a formality required by law in Connecticut. This is the "Notice:"

Caleb Benton and Sarah Stone
Both of Guilford Intend marriage
June ye 29th Anno Domini 1740.

The marriage was consumated September 25th.

Though he had three children by this marriage, and two by a second, and even ventured into a third alliance,—though it brought no children,—yet the eldest child, named for himself, was the only one to survive beyond infancy. His second marriage was to Thankful Chittenden, and it was owing to the fact that neither of her two children lived, that an ancient chest of rived and carved oak, which she inherited, has remained and is still preserved among Caleb's descendants. Roughly whittled on its side, as if done by a boy with his jack-knife, is the inscription:

THOMAS CHITTENDEN

1661 MAY.

Thomas was the eldest son of his father, William, who died on the February preceding, and in the settlement of the estate this chest came to him, and he thereupon proceeded to inflict his name and the date. Savage says of William Chittenden that he served with the English forces in the Netherlands during the "Thirty Years War," and attained to the rank of Major. Who shall say that this chest, made before the days of

saw-mills, did not accompany him on his tours of foreign service for the King? Possibly he may have enjoyed the comradeship in the service of Miles Standish. Chittenden was one of the founders of the Guilford colony, being one of the signers of the "Covenant" on ship-board, and there is little doubt that the chest accompanied him on this voyage, whether it had done so on any previous voyages or not.

The name of Caleb Benton, Sen., appears on many deeds, but I am unable to determine whether he was really a large holder of real estate, or whether he was given to speculating in parcels of land. He lived to see the revolutionary war, and family tradition affirms that in siding with the colonies his patriotism was of the most pronounced and fervant type, he having small sympathy with his son, who had conscientious scruples about resistance to the powers that be. Some amusing stories still survive of the ways in which his daughter-in-law sometimes outwitted the old gentleman, enjoying her mid-day cup of contraband tea while he was attending to the work in distant fields.

Caleb[5] Benton, or "Caleb Benton, Jr.," as he is usually mentioned in the records, was born in Guilford, and married there Sarah Bishop, great-great-granddaughter of John Bishop, and it is about them, their ascendants and descendants, that this is written. We have traced the paternal line of Caleb, and now let us turn to the other lines.

CHAPTER III.

OTHER ANCESTORS.

GUTRIDGE. GOODRICH.

Richard Gutridge was one of the original colony which came from England and settled Guilford, Conn., in 1639, and was one of the twenty-five signers of the "Covenant." Of his wife we only know that her Christian name was Dinah. The name Gutridge became *Goodrich* in the next generation. With the death of John Goodrich, son of Richard, the name became extinct in Guilford. There is preserved a deed of land to Richard's daughter Rachel, wife of Daniel Benton, dated August 28th, 1684, from Edward Parks, "sailor."

GRAVE.

The name of George Grave is included in a list of land owners in Hartford, Conn., in 1639, the same year in which Guilford was settled, and this is the earliest that is definitely known concerning him. His will is on file in Hartford, executed September 17th, 1673, in which his sons, George and John, are appointed Executors. It contains a bequest of land rates for the "maintenance of the minister of the new Meeting-house." This "new meeting-house" was the Second Church, the one of which both he and Andrew[1] Benton, (nephew of Edward[1],) were members. The will is signed "George Grave, Sen." There was a family of *Graves* in Hartford, but quite distinct from *Grave*. The name appears twice in the ancestry, as by John Grave's first marriage he became the ancestor of Sarah Bishop, and by his second marriage of Caleb Benton.

John Grave, Sr., was probably born in England in 1633. He moved from Hartford to Guilford, Conn., in 1657, where he was made a Freeman in 1658, Deacon about 1676, and was Town Clerk from 1673 to 1685. He was one of the Patentees under the charter from Connecticut, Dec. 7th, 1685. The commission of John Grave, Jr., as Lieutenant, 1709, is preserved in Guilford. We have the autograph signature of John Grave,

Sr., under date of March 13th, 1691, and that of his son, John Grave, Jr., Lieut., January 29th, 1718. The wife "Sarah" mentioned in the will of George Grave, Sr., seems to have been his second wife.

In the early records of Guilford there is no name which appears with more frequency than those of John Grave, father and son, and whether appointed to act in responsible positions of trust, or to the humble service of beating the drum to assemble the Sabbath worshippers, it was usually in behalf of something, either Church, Town or State; constantly a service of the public.

CRUTTENDEN. CRITTENDEN.

Abraham Cruttenden was a member of the original Guilford colony in 1639, coming from Cranebreak, England, and was one of the twenty-five signers of the "Covenant," being made a Freeman May 19th, 1651. He filled many responsible positions of public service, and was of good social standing, and good standing in the Town and Church. He was "Treasurer of the Plantation of Guilford" from 1657 to 1660. The records though not giving the births of his children, indicate that they were quite old when they left England, inasmuch as his son Abraham was also one of the original planters, as well as one of the twelve men to whom the Charter of Guilford was made out.

This name, like that of Grave and Meigs, appears twice in the chart, as his daughters, Mary and Elizabeth, both of them became the ancestors of Caleb Benton, Jr. The signature of Elizabeth (who was the second wife of John Grave, Sr.), under date of December 4th, 1711, is preserved, as are some of his autographs of an earlier date. The name sometimes appears in the records as *Crittenden.*

STONE.

John Stone was the son of the Rev. Samuel Stone, a non-conformist clergyman of Hertford-on-the-Wye, England, and was born there about 1610. He was a member of the Guilford colony at its founding, and was one of the twenty-five signers of the "Covenant" on ship-board. He was a clothier and mason, (for every one of these colonists seems to have been master of one or more manual employments), and had his home lot of six and a half acres on the west side of Whitfield street, next south of the home lot of Mr. Higginson. He was made a Freeman May 22nd, 1648, and was one of the twelve Patentees under the Charter of Connecticut. Nathaniel Stone, son of John, held commission as Lieutenant.

BARTLETT.

Deacon George Bartlett was a man of liberal education, and came from England to Guilford, Conn., at an early day, but it is not known whether he came with the colony or later. He was made a Freeman May 22nd, 1648, elected Marshal of the Plantation June 9th, 1651, and in June, 1665, he was made a deacon. His residence was at the southwest corner of "The Green." In 1661 he was chosen Deputy Governor, in which office he remained until the union with Connecticut, when he was re-elected for two more years, until the County Court for New Haven was organized. He was elected Deputy to the General Court in 1663, and re-elected in 1665. On April 3rd, 1644, the General Court of New Haven established a local court at Guilford, decreeing that "The Free Burgesses may chuse among themselves fower Deputies and forme a Courte." In 1665 George Bartlett was one of the "fower" Deputies elected to constitute this "Courte." He also served the town in various other capacities, as those of Auditor, Town Clerk, Lieutenant of Militia, etc. His wife Mary (Cruttenden) was sister of Elizabeth, the second wife of John Grave, Sr. After a married life of nineteen years they were hardly separated then, for their deaths were little more than a month apart; yet in that brief time there had also died their third child and eldest son, John, a boy of twelve. They were survived by six children who reached maturity and married.

MEGGS. MEIGS.

Vincent Meggs was born in Bradford Peverell, England, in 1583, and came to this country with two sons and one or more grandchildren. The following, regarding his English ancestry, is from Mr. Joe V. Meigs, of Boston, Mass., who writes that he has obtained the data from the researches of Mr. Fayette Mark Meigs, of San Francisco.

William Meggs, draper, in London, died July 22nd, 1559; he married Anne ———. They had numerous children. One, William Meggs, born at White Chapel in 1487, was an alderman in London. He married Judith West, sister and heir of Thomas West, Bishop of Ely. She was born in 1477, and died in 1562.

Their fifth child, Thomas Meggs, was born in 1507; he resided in Devon, Eng., Isle of Ely; he married Anne Copplestone of Exeter, daughter and heir of John Copplestone, gentleman.

Their first child, Nicholas Meggs, was born in 1527, and at the time of his death lived in Dunham, the Isle of Ely; he died in November, 1579. He married Jane Peverell, daughter and heir of William Peverell of the County of Dorset, England. She died in 1578. The manor of Brad-

ford Peverell in Dorset County, England, was held by Nicholas Meggs, and afterward by nine of the Meggs family. The manor house was occupied in 1896 by the Middleton family. This house was in the Peverell and Meggs families from 1410 to 1610. In the great banquet hall is to be found a large illuminated window, representing the coat of arms granted to William Meggs by a patent dated June 4th, 1479, in the reign of Edward the Fourth.

Their third child, Lawrence Meggs, born in 1551 at Bradford Peverell, County of Dorset, England, died in 1595. He married Anne Wood, of Ashridge, daughter of Richard Wood of County of Devon, England.

Their fourth child, Vincent Meggs, born in 1583, in Bradford Peverell, was the emigrant, and is supposed to have been the progenitor of all of the name in the United States. The maiden name of his wife is thought to have been Churchill, but she probably died before the migration, as no record has been found of her here.

On this side of the ocean Vincent Meggs and his family are first heard of at Plymouth, Mass., in 1637, and again at Weymouth, Mass., in 1639, where his grandson, John Meigs, Jr., was born. They removed in 1642 to Rehoboth, Mass., and about 1644 to New Haven, Conn. The group arrived in Hammonassett, East Guilford, (now Madison), Conn., in 1654, where Vincent built a house. He died there December 1st, 1658, and there is a tradition that his was the first interment in Hammonassett Cemetery. From that day to the present time the name is synonymous in this country with public service, and many of the line have attained to eminence, with honors, both public and private.

John, second son of Vincent, changed the spelling of the name to *Meigs,* its present form. He was married in England, and his eldest child, Mary, was born there in 1633, but it is probable—though not certain—that the other children were born in America. The Christian name of his wife is given in various spellings, but, as a matter of convenience, I have adopted the present-day form, "Tomasine."

While John Meigs was in New Haven he took the oath of fidelity and was admitted a Freeman. In 1654 he was admitted a planter in that portion of Guilford now included in Madison, upon certain conditions pertaining to the purchase of land there. He is not represented as having been a quiet man, nor Puritanical in his character, for he was sometimes turbulent and given to having litigation with the town authorities. Yet he was public spirited withal, and rendered some good public services.

The Judges, or "Regicides," who caused Charles the First to be executed, were concealed for a time in Guilford, and in May, 1661, they were in New Haven. It was a time when those who had been hunters of men

themselves became the hunted, for two men sent by the King to arrest them, arrived at Guilford, armed with the King's warrant and orders, and with a further authority in the shape of a letter from Governor Endicott. In the night John Meigs stole quietly out of the village, and mounting his horse galloped furiously to New Haven, and the Judges, thus warned in time, escaped to a place of concealment. The King's Commissioners learned, however, who it was that had balked them, and they made official report of the fact to the Governor upon their return to Boston. That Meigs ever escaped the extreme penalty for the audacious act is to be wondered at.

Mentally John Meigs, Sr., was a man of superior intellectual type, as appears by the manuscripts and books mentioned in his will, and he must have been a man of considerable education and culture. He was many times entrusted with public business, serving as Constable, and Representative to Hartford. He was a tanner by trade. In 1668 he removed to the town of Killingworth, where he died, leaving a large estate, and survived by his wife and all of his children except Elizabeth. Of his children, Mary was born in England; by her marriage with William Stevens she became the ancestor of Sarah Bishop, while her brother John, an only son, became the ancestor of Caleb Benton.

John Meigs, Jr., after the death of his father, came from Killingworth to Guilford, and settled in that portion of the town which is now Madison. He was one of the Patentees of the Charter of Guilford, and was a deacon in the First Congregational Church, the latter title being immortalized on both his own gravestone and on that of his wife. Hers, of red sandstone, is standing in the Hammonassett Cemetery, and, dated 1691, is one of the very few well preserved stones of so ancient a date to be found in the country. He outlived this wife by twenty-two years, and his remains were interred in "The Green" at Guilford, but his gravestone now stands in the East Cemetery, which is not far from the village of Guilford. By his wife Sarah, who was sixteen at the time of their marriage, he had three sons and five daughters, and one may read between the cold lines of the record a certain pathos in the family life. The eldest daughter, named for her mother, married in 1687, and died one year later. Three years after her death another girl came to them, and she also was named "Sarah," born in 1691, and the mother died, "AGED ABOVT 42 YEARS," as her gravestone has it. It is this youngest daughter Sarah who is our ancestor, for by her marriage with Caleb Stone she became the grandmother of Caleb Benton, Jr.

WILCOXSON. WILCOX.

William Wilcoxson was born in St. Albans, Hertfordshire, Eng., in 1601, and came to this country from London, Eng., in 1635, in ship *Planter,* having a certificate from the Minister at St. Albans. He was made a Freeman of Massachusetts December 7th, 1636, and moved from Concord, Mass., to Stratford, Conn., in 1639, where he was one of the first proprietors, and where he died in 1652. He was Representative to Hartford in 1647, being a leading man,—and a "Gentleman." The name became *Wilcox* in the succeeding generations. He was thirty-four years old, his wife Margaret twenty-four, and their son John two, when they left England. They had in all nine children, Sarah, who married John Meigs, Jr., being the eighth. William Wilcoxson's widow married William Hayden, of Windsor, Conn. The name. like so many others of the early colonists, appears with various spellings, "Wilcockson," "Willcoxson," "Wilcokson," etc.

BISHOP.

John Bishop, from England, was one of the original colonists of Guilford, Conn., and was one of the twenty-five signers of the "Covenant." He was probably as much as thirty-five years of age at the time of his emigration, and he brought his wife, Anne, and several children with him. He was one of the most prominent and wealthy men in the colony, and appears to have been a citizen of stable and trustworthy quality of character; a public servant whose faithfulness and good judgment could both be depended upon. He was one of the four men who were entrusted with the whole civil power until the organization of the Church in 1643, and was also one of the Grantees, October 19th, 1639, of the Guilford lands from the "Red Queen," Menunketuck.

His wife, in her will dated June 20th, 1673, devises property in Hartford and Guilford, Conn., and in England. He was one of the twelve men selected by the town to act on its behalf by receiving, in their name, as Patentees, the Charter granted to the town by the Colony of Connecticut, "in free and common soccage and not in capite nor by knight service."

His son Stephen, born in England, was made a Freeman in 1659. Of Tabitha Wilkinson, Stephen's wife, we have only the record that she was "Of the Bermuda Islands." These islands were first known as "Sommer Islands,"—afterward written "Summer." From a list of lands belonging to the Sommer Island Co., taken out of Mr. Richard Norwood's survey book, by him made in the years 1662 and 1663, I make the following extract:

"Parnel Wilkenson, widdow, one share of land," etc.

Every young man of that day on the coast was a sailor, and before settling down for life generally made one or several voyages to the islands for trade. The aforementioned "widdow" may have been the mother of Stephen's Tabitha, who followed her sailor lover home to the mainland, but of that we have no present proof. It is a significant fact, however, that the name, "Parnal," so unusual as a given name, has haunted the family ever since.

LATTAMORE. LATIMER.

John Lattamore first appears on record at Wethersfield, Conn., where he died in 1662, the year in which his will is probated, and seven children are recorded to him. His son John married Mary, daughter of Thomas Robinson, the ceremony being performed by no less an official than the governor, William Leete. The seventh child, Bezeleel (or "Bezaliel," for the name has various spellings), married Saint Robinson, brother of Mary who married John. The line remained in Wethersfield until the marriage of Ann to Ebenezer Bishop, Sr., of Guilford, for it is recorded that she was "of Wethersfield." In looking over the record of John Lattamore's family one is prompted to ponder on the possible mental peculiarities of a father who could impose such names on his children.

ROBINSON.

Thomas Robinson first definitely appears on record in 1640, at Hartford, Conn. He arrived in Guilford, Conn., about 1664, where he bought land and was one of the wealthiest of the settlers, but he became involved in a long and expensive lawsuit with the town. In 1684 or 1685 he appears again in Hartford, where—or possibly in Wethersfield, which is but four miles distant from Hartford—he died. In Guilford he built a house, which he afterward willed to his son Thomas, and it is now in possession of the seventh generation of the name.

STEPHENS. STEVENS.

John Stephens,—he afterward spelled it *Stevens*—with his sons Thomas and William, came from Kent, Eng., to Guilford, Conn., leaving in the mother-country an older son, John; and though the name does not appear on the "Covenant," they were present at the first division of the land, which must have been within a year or two of the settlement of the place.

He was made a Freeman in 1660. His son William married Mary, daughter of John Meigs, Sr., and moved to Killingworth, Conn., by 1665, where he was made a Freeman as soon as 1669.

STILLWELL.

Jasper Stillwell was one of the early settlers of Guilford, Conn., and was admitted a Freeman there May 22nd, 1648. His was one of the earliest houses built in the town, being of stone, and was just north of the Whitfield house, a house which is still standing, and is also built of stone, being now considered to be the oldest house in the state. Jasper Stillwell's wife's name was Elizabeth, and they left but one child, a daughter named for her mother. She became the first wife of John Grave, Sr. As she was her father's only heir she and her husband lived on her father's land. Upon Jasper Stillwell's death, November 8th, 1656, the name became extinct in Guilford.

FOOT.

Nathaniel Foot was born in England in 1593, and married there Elizabeth Deming. They had seven children, the youngest, Rebecka, being born in 1634, the same year in which they came to Massachusetts. Coming first to Massachusetts Bay, they went, in 1636, to Wethersfield, Conn., where the father died in 1644, and the mother in 1683. The fourth child of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Foot was Robert, of whose wife we have no record except that her Christian name was Sarah. Robert's daughter Elizabeth married John Grave, Jr., and became the great-grandmother of Sarah Bishop.

CHAPTER IV.

FROM GUILFORD, CONN., TO AMENIA, NEW YORK.

In this brief *resume* of the history of the ancestors of Caleb and Sarah Benton it will be seen that, while none of them reached any pinnacle of fame, they all belonged to that great middle class of their time which gave stability to the communities in which they lived, by their own steadfast character. As far as I can ascertain the ancestors of our grandparents were all of them owners of land, and while this is not, of itself, necessary to good citizenship, it indicates that none of them belonged to what has been called "The driftwood of society," but they were, instead, families having a local habitation and a name, and were supporters of those institutions that make for the welfare of society. It is good to study genealogy sometimes, if for no other reason than to get a realizing sense of how much the present is indebted to that great body of forgotten citizens whose names are not found on the scroll of fame, but without whose steadfast character and faithful services we should not have attained to our present successes, either as individuals or as a nation. Let us now briefly scan the fortunes of Caleb and Sarah.

At that time it was not thought necessary for women to devote themselves to school and society until the bloom of youth had vanished before they married. Sarah Bishop's mother, Sarah Stevens, was fifteen when she was married to Ebenezer Bishop, Jr. At the age of twenty-five she was a widow with four children, (they had lost their first), the eldest eight, and the last one unborn. At thirty-two she married William, great-grandson of Lieut. William Chittenden, and brother of Thankful, who was destined to be the step-mother of her future son-in-law. By this marriage she had two children, her second husband being a widower who had had ten children by his first wife.

Sarah Bishop, born five months after the death of her father, entered the race of life under conditions that were far from being easy. Made accustomed to labor, even in childhood, and in early girlhood compelled by the stress of circumstances to earn her own living, she yet attained to a gentle dignity of character which won for her the respect of the com-

munity. At the age of nineteen she became the bride of Caleb Benton, then twenty-four, who was an only child and with a goodly estate on its way to him.

It was in the turbulent period preceding the revolutionary war, and when that broke on the country there were already three little children about their knees, and before it was ended three more had arrived; while their first born, a boy of ten, had been laid away under the sod of "The Green," at a point where the mother could watch the mound from her window while she was at her work. Twenty years afterward she returned from her new home in New York, summoned to the death-bed of her daughter Clarissa, a girl of sixteen who died while on a visit to the relatives in Guilford. It was desired to lay her remains by the grave of her brother, but there was some uncertainty about its location, for gravestones were a luxury and not a necessity then, and well-to-do families did not always deem it necessary to erect them. So the mother took her seat by the old window again, and releasing the vision to its own way, immediately, by a sure prescience, it took its course adown the slope and with the unerring guide of a mother's memory selected the little mound.

The war was a time of danger and apprehension for the people of Guilford, for the enemy scourged the coast, burning and marauding the towns both east and west of them, and those who had dependent families on their hands had cause for wakeful nights and a scanning of the horizon by day. Aside from these considerations, however, Caleb Benton had scruples against "disobedience to those in authority," and desired to take no part on either side. But the storm-center of a revolution has little consideration for private sentiments, and one is not surprised to find that his name is included in a list of twenty citizens whom the town's committee named as "Inimical and dangerous persons," etc. That this was done in the partisan spirt of warfare is shown by the fact that soon after the war the town voted to repudiate the unwarranted action of its "committee," and ordered the record thereof to be expunged from the town records.

But Caleb's conscience remained rampant, as was shown by the fact that some years later he defied the Court at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to which he had been summoned to give evidence, by refusing to take the requisite oath; a thing before unheard of except in the case of Quakers. He persisted, however, even going so far as to fortify his position by quoting scripture to the Court. After some controversy he was permitted to "affirm."

With the reaction which followed the war the people felt the pressure of hard times, for the war had left the colonies poor in all except oppor-

tunities. In addition to this the system of farming installed by the first comers, whereby the farmers lived in the village and farmed, "at arm's length," on distant fragments of land, was still in vogue, and made the industry cumbersome and unprofitable. One who remembered it said it was,—"Get up at daylight and go two miles in one direction to get a pair of oxen, go two miles in another direction to do a day's work, and then travel the distances all over again to get the oxen returned to the pasture and get home to supper yourself!" Those who have had experience with the speed of oxen can appreciate the situation. It was before the days of the introduction of fertilizers and plaster, or even the saving system of re-seeding to grass, and the land had become run down.

These things decided Caleb—of whom Tradition saith that he was an excellent and accomplished farmer—to go west in search of better conditions. The place selected for his new abode was in the town of Amenia, in the eastern portion of Dutchess County, New York, close to the village now known as Leedsville, and adjoining the Connecticut border; and though it was only eighty miles distant, it was a century later than Guilford in being occupied, it having then been settled but about half a century. One or more journeys thither on horseback were made to select the farm, and another journey by the same method was necessary in order to carry the bag of silver dollars with which to make the payment. The farm was purchased of Capt. Joshua Lasell, who had previously purchased it of Capt. William Young, and the price paid was about sixteen dollars an acre. Capt. Young was probably the first occupant of the farm, and he built the house there about the year 1765, a building which forms the dining-room ell of the present structure.

The family had lived facing "The Green" for a century and a half, and they were now to attempt to remove their belongings which had accumulated during that time, to a point eighty miles away, when four-wheeled vehicles were not in use, and horses were not draft animals. But Caleb, with his son Joel, had been to New Haven and carefully measured a *wagon* which some one in that town had in his possession. And then—for at that time every farmer was also a mechanic—they built for themselves an "experiment"; a heavy, cumbersome wagon; the first four-wheeled vehicle ever seen in the streets of Guilford. A large sloop was chartered, on which were placed the heavier articles and the women and children, and it sailed from the harbor, destined to pass safely to the extremity of Long Island Sound, through Hell Gate, East River, New York Harbor, and up the Hudson River to Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Some of the bulkier articles were loaded on the new contrivance, to which were yoked the oxen; the cattle and other live stock could do their own traveling. So the proces-

sion took its way out of the village, leaving Caleb's cousin, Lot Benton, in possession of the homestead at the head of "The Green;" but there was no one present with a camera with which to get a "snap" of that caravan with its first wagon.

Lot Benton, this cousin of Caleb's, had married for a second wife widow Anne (Lyman) Talcott, and her nephew, Lyman Beecher, had his home with them from boyhood. Family tradition says that the youth was not of hardy constitution when young, and it was a perplexing question as to what he was best fitted for in life's employments. He was not practical enough to be a good farmer, but he took to theories as readily as a duck takes to water. So the old couple—who *were* practical— decided that he should be a minister, and in doing so they unconsciously made a path to fame for themselves as the guardians of the "Father of the Beecher Family." Many amusing stories linger of the eccentricities in his young days of the since famous Lyman Beecher.

In due time the migrants arrived safely at the new farm, and, unloading the things, the wagon and oxen immediately started for Poughkeepsie, thirty miles distant, to bring the remainder, with the family. On the 20th day of May, 1794, they arrived at the new home, which was destined to remain in the family 109 years. It must have been an unusually forward season, for upon their arrival they picked and stewed green currants. Only once since then has the garden yielded green currants large enough for stewing at so early a date.

At the time of this moving they had seven children living, all unmarried, the oldest, Joel, being twenty-two years old, and the youngest, William, being nearly six. Clarissa, as already stated, died four years later in Guilford. The other six found their mates in Dutchess County and in the adjoining town of Sharon, Conn., and five of them left descendants, of which I have a record of over three hundred, though the lines are not all of them followed out. The removal to this locality seems to have been wise in every way, and in their new home the family prospered. The community from which they came had been so long stationary, and so long the residence of nearly all their lines of ancestry, that it is difficult to see how it would have been possible for the six children to have married there without marrying those who were related by ties of blood,—probably on several lines.

The home in Amenia stands at the head of a charming valley which John Burroughs, "the poet-naturalist," particularly admired in its pastoral beauty, saying that it reminded him, more than any other American scene, of the valley of the Clyde. Past the roof-tree flows a quiet river, first mentioned in the records as "Ten Mile River," because it is about

ten miles from the Housatonic River in Connecticut. When the Dutch settlers came they called it "Mink-in-kill." But the Indians had a name which they applied to the valley as well as to the river, "Webutuck," the synonym in their tongue for "pleasant hunting grounds," and the finer appreciation of a later day has caused this name to be adopted in the place of the more prosaic ones.

At the time of their coming the appearance of this valley, in its varied surface of meadow and rolling uplands with scattered groves of great trees, framed in the foothills of the Green Mountain range,—themselves miniature mountains,—was much the same that it is at the present time. Tradition says that it presented a similar appearance when the white settlers first came. The Indians followed the practice of annually burning it over when the herbage was dead, in order to make the new grass sweet and abundant, for this attracted the deer. It was this yearly burning over which kept the forest from spreading, and kept down the tangled undergrowth which has sprung up on the mountain sides.

Scattered over the park-like surface are some mammoth oaks, and a few trees of other varieties. In these trees, my father told me, he could detect no change in size in all the time that he remembered them. He was born in 1788, and his memory, in such matters, was very clear, back into his boyhood. They probably did grow a little during that time, but it was so little that his memory did not note it. Their great size, and the fact that they had practically attained maturity, indicate that they had hailed the advent of the white man from the crown of many centuries,—it would be interesting to know just how many. Some of them still remain, (for rarely has an axman courage to attack one), and the community now cultivates a fine sentiment for their preservation; a sentiment which no one did more to promote than my brother Myron, who wrote and published much on the subject.

The valley is the scene where met the tides of two migrating races. The Dutch, who had settled along the Hudson River, drifted to it across the county, but got no further east, for here they met the English Puritan element. A Yankee colony had settled the adjoining town of Sharon, Conn., and at once flowed over and mingled with the Dutch, the two as unlike in temperament and methods as two branches of the white race well could be. The Dutch farmers, with their fine horses, dwelt on farms whose fields they tilled all the day, and when eventime came meditated with pipe and mug on the stoops of their broad, low houses. They looked askance at the bustling newcomers from the East, whose first thought was for a church and school; who organized a town and elected officers before they fenced their fields; who were forever inventing some new device, and

every man of whom considered himself, at all times and under all circumstances, a member of a corporate body. But the Dutchman woke up one fine morning and found himself a Yankee, language and all, and the two stocks intermarried and blended without friction.

It was in this valley, and in this mingled community, that Caleb and Sarah found their new home after they were well past middle life, and here they glided into the serenity of old age. It was an era of peace and improving conditions, with no war intervening but that of 1812, a war which sent hardly a ripple from its distant commotion to this inland valley.

CHAPTER V.

THE FAMILY IN THEIR NEW HOME.

In personal appearance Caleb Benton was a blond of short stature and great physical strength; a strength which endured well into old age. He was a quiet and reserved man, endowed with a keen appreciation of the humorous side of things, a cheerful disposition and an aggressive conscience; a man given to carefully thinking out subjects for himself, and not at all disposed to accept the conventional opinions of his neighbors, whether on religion or politics, as his standard, but having once arrived at his own conclusions he held to them firmly, without apology.

Regarding the personality of his wife, my sister Harriet who was eleven years old when her grandmother died, and who is probably the only person now living who has a distinct recollection of her, writes to me as follows: "The general testimony of her children and others who knew her, was that she was a diligent housewife, ruling her family with energy and diligence; one of whom it might be said, 'She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.' "

She was a "facultied" woman, one with a talent for accomplishment, and she had also some finer traits of character which are not always found accompanying those more practical ones. One of these was her love for, and championship of children,—and it must be borne in mind that this was at a time when there were more children and there was less attention given to their happiness and indulgence than there is at the present time. Poor children who were abused or tyrannized over by the country school teachers, or by those to whom they were "bound out," more than once found in her a sympathetic champion and defender.

In his church affiliations Caleb Benton was early attracted towards the sect called Sandemanians, which had a church established in Danbury, Conn., forty miles distant and about half way between his old and his new home, but whether he ever formally joined them I have not learned. In his old age, however, his religious affections found a resting place with the denomination known as Disciples of Christ, sometimes spoken of as "Campbellites," of which his youngest son and some others of his descendants were members. Under date of October 29th, 1818, I find a

letter from the church of that faith in New York City, beginning with the stately phrase,—"The Church—To our aged and esteemed brother, Caleb Benton; with the friends in his house:—"

It is a sort of official communication signed, "By the Church;" after which follow the official autographs of the Elders and Deacons. 'Tis a stately document, written at a time when life and all that pertained thereto was taken seriously, and found correspondingly serious expression, and seems to have been called forth by the importance and age of the person addressed, officially congratulating him on having joined the Church. There are also other letters from the same source, thanking him for assistance rendered to the poor among the brethren. There is a letter from a friend, dated at a point distant but a day's drive, and though special delivery stamps were still three-quarters of a century in the future, the writer of the letter made use of a device which answered the same purpose, writing on the back of the letter as follows:

> The post Master at Amenia
> will do the writer a favor
> by taking pains to forward
> this to Mr. Benton.

Amenia, distant two and a half miles, was his nearest post office at that time.

In the year 1795, the next after their arrival, Caleb's eldest son, Joel, married Delia Sears of Sharon, Conn., and his father immediately built him a house, a few rods distant but on the other side of the Webutuck River. Joel resided there for the remainder of his life, keeping it as a hotel for a considerable period. He held many public offices, and was a member of the New York Legislature. His eldest son, Albert S. Benton, was for a time the law partner of William H. Seward. Mr. Seward was afterward Governor of New York, and finally became Secretary of State under Lincoln, holding that office during the whole of the civil war period and for a time afterward. Joel's grandsons, Andrew J. and Albert S. Hunt, were Methodist ministers, and the latter was for many years, and until his death, Secretary of the American Bible Society. Another grandson, Joel Benton, is widely known as a poet and essayist.

Sarah Benton, who married Stephen Reed, spent the remainder of her life in the town of Amenia, much of it on a farm within a mile of her father's. Prof. Myron R. Sanford, of Middlebury (Vermont) College, and Rev. Arthur B. Sanford, D. D., are among her descendants.

Betsey Benton's husband, Amos Beecher, from Sharon, Conn., was a relative of Lyman Beecher, of whom I have already spoken. Amos Beecher was a prominent official of Litchfield County at the time of his

death, and soon afterward his brother, Gen. Philemon Beecher, a member of the National Congress, took Betsey's daughter Maria Elizabeth, to his home in Ohio. Among her early experiences in that state was the honor conferred by the Governor of the State in selecting her to throw the first spade of earth from the Hocking canal. Her marriage to Dr. James White, and a permanent home in Lancaster, Ohio, resulted in her mother and sisters moving to that state.

Juliana Benton's husband, William Germond, was a great-grandson of Isaac *Germon,* of Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y. His home was in the town of Washington, Dutchess County, N. Y., where he and Juliana kept the hotel. They had ten children, of whom six married and left descendants. Her eldest daughter, Caroline, and her husband, lived and died in Dutchess Co., N. Y. George went to New York City when about twelve years old, and entered into the employ of a wholesale dry goods firm. Later he became a partner and the firm became known as the "Gould Germond Co." Jane, who married William Hunt, lived for a time in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where her husband was engaged in trade. Later she lived at Piermont, and last at Brooklyn, N. Y., where she died. Alfred was at one time engaged in business in New York City with his brother George, but later he removed to Wisconsin, where he died. Joel was in the jewelry business in New York City for many years, but finally moved to Wisconsin. The youngest son, Caleb, went to California in the rush to that coast in 1849, upon the discovery of gold there. He wrote home twice after his arrival, but was not heard from again.

Parnal Benton's marriage was not a happy one. She had no children, and her husband left her. Through the many years of invalidism which followed, and until her death, her home was with her brother William, who was unceasingly kind to her in her manifold troubles.

William A. Benton's two wives were sisters, and were descended on their paternal line from John Reed, an officer in Cromwell's army, who found it expedient to leave England immediately upon the restoration of the throne in 1660. He came first to Providence, Rhode Island, but finally settled in Norwalk, Conn., from whence some of his descendants came early to Amenia, N. Y. On their mother's side William's wives were descended from another Cromwellian officer, Capt. George Denison, the romance of whose wounding at the battle of Naseby, and subsequent nursing back to health at the residence of Sir John Borodell, by Sir John's daughter Ann, whom he afterward married, has furnished the basis of more than one pretty tale. Elder William Brewster of the Mayflower was also one of their ancestors. Stephen Reed, the husband of Sarah Benton, was also descended from Capt. John Reed.

Of the children of William A. Benton, Harriet never married, but remained with her parents, and after their death lived for a time with Myron at the homestead, but later made it her home with her sister Helen, and then with her brother Ezra at South Amenia, N. Y.

Juliana Benton removed, upon her marriage, to Schoolcraft, Mich., where her husband, Jerome T. Cobb, had a farm. He was a leading spirit in the grange movement among the Michigan farmers, and was for many years State Secretary of the order, and editor of the State Grange paper, "The Grange Visitor." His son, William B. Cobb, still owns the farm, but resides in the village of Schoolcraft, being much occupied with business other than farming. He is a leading citizen there, and has held many responsible public positions.

Helen C. Benton and her husband, Henry Barlow, lived in Amenia for several years, and all of their children were born there, but they later moved to a farm in Berkshire County, Mass. Of their children, Myron is a surgeon dentist in Boston, John is Professor of Zoology in the Rhode Island College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, at Kingston, R. I., William B. is a farmer at South Amenia, N. Y., Julia and her husband, Albert E. Cline, reside in Canada, while Jessie remained at home. John and Jessie, with their mother, now live in Kingston, R. I.

Orville A. Benton was a civil engineer and a machinist, and spent some time in railroad construction in the West, being, for a portion of the time, engineer in charge of construction on a division of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad. The family records were first compiled by him.

Myron B. Benton purchased the home farm at Leedsville, where he spent his whole life. He was a farmer all of his days, and a lover of country life, and was also literary and artistic in his tastes, enjoying a wide acquaintance and friendship with the foremost literary men and women of his day. He was himself an accomplished writer of both prose and verse, leaving enough good material for several volumes. He, also, spent much effort in tracing family history, and was an interested preserver of old papers and family traditions, and heirlooms of all descriptions.

Ezra R. Benton, soon after his marriage, bought a farm in Salisbury, Conn., where he lived for a number of years, holding various town offices, but in the year 1874 he removed to South Amenia, which is in the south part of the town of Amenia, N. Y. He is an Elder in the Presbyterian Church there.

Charles E. Benton served from 1862 to the close of the civil war in 1865 in the 150th New York Volunteers, and afterward lived for a few years in Amenia, at first owning a part of the home farm, then living a year on a hired farm at South Amenia. But in 1870 he purchased a farm in

Sharon, Conn., where he resided until 1891, when he removed to New Bedford, Mass.

As Caleb Benton grew old his son William hired that portion of the farm not occupied by Joel, and in their old age, and until their death, the parents made their home with him. At last Nature gathered the couple to her bosom, Sarah at the age of seventy-seven, and six years afterward Caleb in his ninetieth year, and they were laid at rest in the family cemetery that had been established on the place, for at that time there were no well cared for public cemeteries in that vicinity.

After the death of the parents the farm was divided, Joel purchasing the part where he lived, and William purchasing the part containing the homestead. To his portion William added, by purchase from his neighbors from time to time, until his farm contained 320 acres. This farm was purchased after his death by his son Myron, and retained by him until his death in 1902.

CHAPTER VI.

THE FAMILIES OF CALEB BENTON'S AMERICAN ANCESTORS.

BENTON.

1st Generation.

EDWARD BENTON, b. in the Parish of Epping, in Essex, Eng., Feb. 24th, 1600. d. at Guilford, Conn., Oct. 28th, 1680.
m. 1st, in Essex, Eng., Jan. 15th, 1626, ALICE PURDEN.
m. 2nd, ANNE ———, d. Guilford, Conn., Aug. 22nd, 1671.

2nd Generation.

THE FAMILY OF EDWARD BENTON.

Rebecka Benton, bapt. in England, June 8th, 1628.
DANIEL BENTON, b. in England. d. Guilford, Conn., June 10th, 1672.
m. Nov. 23rd, 1658, RACHEL GOODRICH, or *Gutridge,* d. Oct. 1685.
Andrew Benton, b. in England. d. Guilford, Conn., Jan. 13th, 1714.
m. Feb. 4th, 1665, Elizabeth Rolph, d. Oct. 29th, 1713.
Edward Benton, bapt. Essex, Eng., Jan. 27th, 1638. d. Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 19th, 1698.
Mary, his wife, died Aug. 8th, 1702, aged 59 years and 8 months.
Hannah Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., Sept. 28th, 1640.
m. Robert Ackerly.
Mary Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., Feb. 2nd, 1642.
m. Dec. 6th, 1666, Samuel Thorp.
John Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., June 10th, 1643. Died young.
Tabitha Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., 1645.
m. Nov. 27th, 1684, Simeon Simpson.
Elizabeth Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., June 3rd, 1647. d. April 3rd, 1654.

Sarah Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., Nov. 4th, 1650. d. Dec. 25th, 1692.
m. Thomas Wright.
(There was a "Sarah Benton" who married, Jan. 1st, ~~167~~1701-2, Moses Blackly.)
Zacheus Benton, b. Guilford, Conn., Aug. 27th, 1652. d. s.

3rd Generation.

THE FAMILY OF DANIEL AND RACHEL (GOODRICH) BENTON.

Joanna Benton, b. Oct. 8th, 1660. d. Dec. 28th, 1692.
m. Dec. 16th, 1686, John Turner.
EBENEZER BENTON, b. 1663. d. Jan. 22nd, 1758.
m. June 14th, 1694, ABIGAIL GRAVE, b. March 6th, 1670. d. April 13th, 1753.
Bethia Benton, b. 1665.
m. —— Sanford.
Rebecca Benton, b. Sept. 14th, 1671.
m. Joseph Halsey.

4th Generation.

FAMILY OF EBENEZER AND ABIGAIL (GRAVE) BENTON.

Daniel Benton, b. June 1st, 1695. d. Aug. 25th, 1756.
m. Elizabeth Norton.
Elizabeth Benton, b. June 22nd, 1697.
m. Samuel Buell.
Ebenezer Benton, b. June 12th, 1700. d. Feb. 11th, 1776.
m. Nov. 3rd, 1725, Esther Cruttenden, b. about 1700. d. April 24th, 1778.
Abigail Benton, b. Dec. 29th, 1702. d. April 27th, 1785.
m. Ebenezer Cruttenden.
CALEB BENTON, Sr., b. July 25th, 1706. d. Nov. 27th, 1782.
m. 1st, Sept, 25th, 1740, SARAH STONE, b. Jan. 22nd, 1717. d. Feb. 17th, 1746.
m. 2nd, Oct. 13th, 1751, Thankful Chittenden, b. 1716. d. Jan. 12th, 1757.
m. 3rd, Dec. 1st, 1760, (widow) Lucy (Munger) Hall, b. Sept. 10th, 1713.

5th Generation.

THE FAMILY OF CALEB AND SARAH (STONE) BENTON.

CALEB BENTON, Jr., b. Guilford, Conn., April 17th, 1742. d. Amenia, New York, Dec. 25th, 1831.

m. Jan. 29th, 1767, SARAH BISHOP, b. Guilford, Conn., March 9th, 1748. d. Amenia, New York, April 17th, 1825.
Phineas Benton, b. Aug. 30th, 1744. d. aged ten days.
Beriah Benton, b. Feb. 1st, 1746. d. aged one day.

THE FAMILY OF CALEB AND THANKFUL (CHITTENDEN) BENTON.

Linus Benton, b. Aug. 28th, 1752. d. Sept. 16th, 1752.
Thankful Benton, b. Sept. 12th, 1755. d. Dec. 29th, 1755.

GUTRIDGE, or *Goodrich*

1st Generation.

RICHARD GUTRIDGE, b. in England. d. at Guilford, Conn., May 7th, 1676.
DINAH, his wife.

2nd Generation.

THE FAMILY OF RICHARD AND DINAH GUTRIDGE, OR GOODRICH.

John Goodrich, d. Feb. 1727. s.
Mary Goodrich, m. John Bailey.
RACHEL GOODRICH, d. October, 1685.
m. Nov. 23rd, 1658, DANIEL BENTON, d. June 10th, 1672.
Elizabeth Goodrich, b. Sept. 15th, 1653.
m. Ephraim Darwin.
Lydia Goodrich.
m. James Evarts.

GRAVE.

1st Generation.

GEORGE GRAVE, b. about 1605. d. in Hartford, Conn., Sept., 1673.
Sarah, probably his second wife, is mentioned in his will.

2nd Generation.

THE FAMILY OF GEORGE GRAVE.

George Grave, Jr., d. Dec. 3rd, 1692.
m. April 2nd, 1651, Elizabeth Ventres.
JOHN GRAVE, Sr., b. 1633. d. Dec. 31st, 1695.
m. 1st, Nov. 26th, 1657, ELIZABETH STILLWELL, d. June 4th, 1669.
m. 2nd, ELIZABETH CRUTTENDEN.

3rd Generation.

THE FAMILY OF JOHN GRAVE, SR., AND ELIZABETH (CRUTTENDEN).

ABIGAIL GRAVE, b. March 6th, 1670. d. April 13th, 1753.
m. June 14th, 1694, EBENEZER BENTON, b. 1663. d. Jan. 22nd, 1758.
Joseph Grave, b. Aug. 27th, 1672. d. 1714.
m. Margaret ———.
Daniel Grave, b. Sept. 17th, 1675. d. Nov. 8th, 1675.
Nathaniel Grave, b. Jan. 27th, 1678. d. Jan., 1729.
m. Elizabeth Barnes.
Hannah Grave, b. Jan. 12th, 1680. d. March 21st, 1757.
m. Nathaniel Stone, b. Oct. 7th, 1678. d. Aug. 6th, 1752.

CRUTTENDEN.

1st Generation.

ABRAHAM CRUTTENDEN, from Kent Co., Eng. d. Guilford, Conn., Jan., 1683.
MARY, his wife.
He married, 2nd, May 31st, 1665, Joanne (Sheaffe), widow of Lieut. William Chittenden.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF ABRAHAM AND MARY CRUTTENDEN.

Thomas Cruttenden, d. Feb. 8th, 1698. s.
Abraham Cruttenden, Jr., d. Sept. 25th, 1694.
m. Susannah Grayson.
Isaac Cruttenden, d. July 13th, 1685.
m. Lydia Thompson.
MARY CRUTTENDEN, d. Sept. 11th, 1669.
m. Sept. 14th, 1650, GEORGE BARTLETT, d. Aug. 3rd, 1669.
ELIZABETH CRUTTENDEN.
m. (as second wife) JOHN GRAVE, Sr., b. 1633. d. Dec. 31st, 1695.
Hannah Cruttenden.
m. George Hiland.
Deborah Cruttenden, d. April 21st, 1658. s.

STONE.

1st Generation.

JOHN STONE, b. in England about 1610. d. Feb., 1687.
MARY, his wife, d. 1687.

2nd Generation.

Family of John and Mary Stone.

John Stone, b. Aug. 10th, 1644. d. 1686.
m. Susanna Newton.
Samuel Stone, b. Dec. 6th, 1646. d. April 5th, 1719.
m. Sarah Taintor.
(Lieut.) NATHANIEL STONE, b. Feb. 2nd, 1648. d. Aug. 11th, 1709.
m. July 10th, 1673, MARY BARTLETT, b. Feb. 1st, 1655. d. Nov. 5th, 1724.
Thomas Stone, b. June 5th, 1650. d. Dec. 1st, 1683.
m. Mary Johnson.
Noah Stone, b. 1652. d. March 30th, 1684.

3rd Generation.

Family of Nathaniel and Mary (Bartlett) Stone.

Joseph Stone, b. June 17th, 1674. d. May 9th, 1733.
m. Mary Scranton.
Ebenezer Stone, b. Aug. 21st, 1676. d. Aug. 18th, 1761.
m. Hannah Norton and Abigail Bradley.
Nathaniel Stone, b. Oct. 7th, 1678. d. Aug. 6th, 1752.
m. Hannah Graves, b. Jan. 12th, 1680. d. March 21st, 1757.
Anna Stone, b. Jan. 29th, 1681. d. Nov. 6th, 1684.
Caleb Stone, b. April 26th, 1683. d. March, 1684.
CALEB STONE, b. Nov. 10th, 1685. d. May 25th, 1765.
m. May 28th, 1713, SARAH MEIGS, b. 1691. d. May 4th, 1775.
Noah Stone, b. Nov. 9th, 1687. d. June 6th, 1703. s.
John Stone, b. Oct. 9th, 1689. Died young.
Anna Stone, b. June 17th, 1692. d. April 20th, 1776.
m. Nathaniel Rossiter, d. Oct. 4th, 1751.
Timothy Stone, b. Nov. 16th, 1696. d. Sept. 9th, 1765.
m. Rachel Norton, d. March 31st, 1750.

4th Generation.

FAMILY OF CALEB AND SARAH (MEIGS) STONE.

Caleb Stone, b. May 7th, 1714. d. July 28th, 1788.
m. Rebecka Evarts.
SARAH STONE, b. Jan. 22nd, 1717. d. Feb. 17th, 1746.
m. Sept. 25th, 1740, CALEB BENTON, Sr., b. July 25th, 1706. d. Nov. 27th, 1782.
Rhoda Stone, b. Nov. 2nd, 1719. d. Dec. 23rd, 1769.
m. Daniel Leete, b. 1709.
Deborah Stone, b. July 9th, 1723. d. Jan. 10th, 1735.
Reuben Stone, b. March 31st, 1726. d. Oct. 5th, 1804.
m. Ann Evarts.
Solomon Stone, b. May 29th, 1729. d. June 29th, 1729.
Tryphena Stone, b. Jan. 16th, 1731.
m. John Dudley.

BARTLETT.

1st Generation

(Deacon) GEORGE BARTLETT, b. in England. d. in Connecticut, Aug. 2nd, 1669.
m. Sept. 14th, 1650, MARY CRUTTENDEN, d. Sept. 11th, 1669.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE AND MARY (CRUTTENDEN) BARTLETT.

Elizabeth Bartlett, b. March, 1653. d. October, 1742.
m. Aug. 29th, 1677, Abraham Fowler.
MARY BARTLETT, b. Feb. 1st, 1655. d. Nov. 5th, 1724.
m. July 10th, 1673, NATHANIEL STONE, b. Feb. 2nd, 1648. d. Aug. 11th, 1709.
John Bartlett, b. Nov. 9th, 1656. d. Aug. 16th, 1669.
Hannah Bartlett, b. Nov. 6th, 1658.
m. Stephen Bishop.
Deborah Bartlett, b. 1660. d. Dec. 4th, 1692.
m. John Spinning.
Daniel Bartlett, b. Dec. 14th, 1665. d. Nov. 9th, 1747.
m. 1st, Sarah Meigs, b. Feb. 14th, 1667. d. April 6th, 1688.
m. 2nd, Concurrence Crane.
m. 3rd, Susanna Lord.

Abraham Bartlett, b. Feb. 19th, 1667. d. Feb. 20th, 1731.
m. Mary Warner, d. May 28th, 1738, aged about 74 years.

MEGGS. MEIGS.

1st Generation.

VINCENT MEGGS, b. in England, 1583. d. in Connecticut, Dec. 1st, 1658.

2nd Generation.

Family of Vincent Meggs.

Vincent Meggs, b. in England, 1609. d. in England, without issue.
JOHN MEIGS, Sr., b. in England, 1612. d. in Connecticut, Jan. 4th. 1672.
m. 1632, in England, TOMASINE FRYE.
Mark Meggs, b. in England, 1614. d. in Connecticut, without issue.

3rd Generation.

Family of John and Tomasine (Frye) Meigs.

MARY MEIGS, b. in England, 1633. d. in Connecticut, April 30th, 1703.
m. March 3rd, 1653, WILLIAM STEVENS, b. 1630.
d. January, 1703.
JOHN MEIGS, Jr., b. in Weymouth, Mass., Feb. 29th, 1640.
d. Nov. 9th, 1713.
m. March 7th, 1665, SARAH WILCOXSON, b. 1649.
d. Nov. 24th, 1691.
m. 2nd, (Widow) Lydia (Thompson) Cruttenden. d. Dec., 1727.
Elizabeth Meigs.
m. 1650, Richard Hubbell.
Tryal Meigs.
m. 1668, Andrew (2) Ward, (Andrew 1) of Killingworth, Conn.
Concurrence Meigs, b. 1643. d. Oct. 9th, 1708.
m. Henry Crane.

4th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN MEIGS, JR., AND SARAH (WILCOXSON).

Sarah Meigs, b. Feb. 14th, 1667. d. April 8th, 1688.
m. Jan. 11th, 1687, Daniel Bartlett, b. Dec. 14th, 1665. d. Nov. 14th, 1747.
John Meigs, b. Nov. 11th, 1670. d. Feb. 19th, 1718.
m. Rebecka Hand.
Janna Meigs, b. Dec. 21st, 1672. d. June 5th, 1739.
m. May 18th, 1698, Hannah Willard.
Ebenezer Meigs, b. Sept. 19th, 1675.
m. Mercy Weeks.
Hannah Meigs, b. Feb. 25th, 1678.
m. Jeremiah Foster.
Hester Meigs, b. Nov. 10th, 1680.
Mindwell Meigs, b. 1682. d. March 31st, 1762.
m. Oct. 8th, 1702, Samuel Cruttenden.
SARAH MEIGS, b. 1691. d. May 4th, 1775.
m. May 28th, 1713, CALEB STONE, b. Nov. 10th, 1685. d. May 25th, 1765.

WILCOXSON.

1st Generation.

WILLIAM WILCOXSON, b. in England, 1601. d. in Connecticut, 1652.
MARGARET, his wife.
(She married, 2ndly, William Hayden, of Windsor, Conn.)

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM AND MARGARET WILCOXSON.

Timothy Wilcoxson, b. 1630. d. Jan. 13th, 1713.
m. Dec. 8th, 1664, Johanna Birdseye.
John Wilcoxson, b. 1633.
m. 1st, —— Tilerton.
m. 2nd, March 19th, 1663, Mrs. Elizabeth Wells.
Joseph Wilcoxson, b. 1638. d. Feb. 9th, 1703.
m. Anna ———.

Samuel Wilcoxson, b. 1640. d. March 12th, 1713.
m. Hannah ———.
Obadiah Wilcoxson, b. 1644. d. 1713.
m. 1st, Phebe ———.
m. 2nd, Silence ———.
Elizabeth Wilcoxson, b. 1644.
m. April 16th, 1663, Henry Stiles.
Hannah Wilcoxson, b. 1646.
m. March 17th, 1664, Lieut. Daniel Hayden.
SARAH WILCOXSON, b. 1649. d. Nov. 24th, 1691.
m. March 7th, 1665, JOHN MEIGS, Jr., b. Feb. 29th, 1640. d. Nov. 9th, 1713.
Phoebe Wilcoxson, b. Aug. 31st, 1650.
m. Dec. 11th, 1669, John Birdseye.

CHAPTER VII.

THE FAMILIES OF SARAH BISHOP'S AMERICAN ANCESTORS.

BISHOP.

1st Generation.

JOHN BISHOP, b. in England about 1604. d. at Guilford, Conn., Jan., 1660.
ANNE, his wife, d. 1676.

2nd Generation.

THE FAMILY OF JOHN AND ANNE BISHOP.

John Bishop, d. Oct., 1683:
m. Susanna Goldham.
STEPHEN BISHOP, b. in England. d. June, 1690.
m. May 4th, 1654, TABITHA WILKINSON, of the Bermuda Islands, d. Dec. 21st, 1692.
Bethia (or Betsey) Bishop.
m. James Steel.
Sarah Bishop, d. Sept. 30th, 1657.
m. George Westfield.
Anne Bishop, d. Jan. 3rd, 1672.
m. 1640, John Jordon. d. Jan. 1st, 1650.
m. May 1st, 1652, Thomas Clark.
Mary Bishop, d. Sept. 14th, 1676.
m. George Hubbard.

3rd Generation.

FAMILY OF STEPHEN AND TABITHA (WILKINSON) BISHOP.

Stephen Bishop, b. Dec. 2nd, 1655.
m. Hannah Bartlett.

Tabitha Bishop, b. Sept. 14th, 1657.
Caleb Bishop, b. Jan. 24th, 1660. d. Aug. 19th, 1732.
m. Lydia Evarts.
Daniel Bishop, b. Dec. 8th, 1663.
Mehitable Bishop, b. Sept. 12th, 1668.
m. John Whiteham.
Hannah Bishop, b. March 27th, 1671.
Josiah Bishop, b. March 20th, 1674.
EBENEZER BISHOP, Sr., b. Aug. 5th, 1675. d. Feb., 1744.
m. Nov. 30th, 1699, ANN LATIMER, d. Oct. 6th, 1752.
James Bishop, b. Aug. 19th, 1678. d. July 2nd, 1739.
m. Thankful Pond.

4th Generation.

FAMILY OF EBENEZER BISHOP, SR., AND ANN (LATIMER).

Ann Bishop, b. April 20th, 1701. d. Oct. 15th, 1761. s.
Josiah Bishop, b. Nov. 1st, 1703. d. April 12th, 1745.
m. Hannah Chittenden, daughter of William.
Joshua Bishop, b. 1704. d. Nov. 13th, 1777.
m. Silence Crampton.
EBENEZER BISHOP, Jr., b. 1707. d. Oct. 27th, 1747.
m. Nov. 2nd, 1737, SARAH STEVENS, b. March 16th, 1722. d. Richmond, Mass., Oct. 5th, 1802.
She m. 2nd, April 29th, 1754, William Chittenden, b. 1706. d. Jan. 14th, 1786.
Caleb Bishop, b. Oct., 1714. d. Feb. 16th, 1785.
m. Abigail Parmelee.
Experience Bishop, b. Feb. 1st, 1718. d. Feb. 25th, 1718.
Lemuel Bishop, b. Oct. 25th, 1719. d. young.
Elisha Bishop, b. Aug. 6th, 1723. d. young.

5th Generation.

FAMILY OF EBENEZER BISHOP, JR., AND SARAH (STEVENS).

Luther Bishop, b. July 23rd, 1738. d. Sept. 8th, 1738.
Leah Bishop, b. Nov. 24th, 1739. d. June 13th, 1819.
m. March 30th, 1758, Samuel Evarts.
Luther Bishop, b. Oct. 17th, 1741. d. Dec. 1759. Lost in the war.
Ebenezer Bishop, b. April 10th, 1745. d. 1811.
m. Deborah Stone.

SARAH BISHOP, b. March 9th, 1748. d. Amenia, N. Y., April 17th, 1825.
m. Jan. 29th, 1767, CALEB BENTON, b. April 17th, 1742. d. Amenia, N. Y., Dec. 25th, 1831.

Family of Sarah (Stevens) (Bishop) and William Chittenden.

Calvin Chittenden, b. March 18th, 1755.
m. Abby Leete.
Thankful Chittenden, b. Nov. 16th, 1757. d. Nov. 3rd, 1793.
m. Jan. 21st, 1776, Timothy Griffing, b. Dec. 1st, 1754. d. Sept. 11th, 1820.
He married, 2ndly, Oct. 23rd, 1794, Parnal Bates, b. Sept. 2nd, 1751. d. Nov. 7th, 1815.

LATTAMORE. LATIMER.

1st Generation.

JOHN LATTAMORE, d. in Wethersfield, Conn., 1662.
ANN, his wife.

2nd Generation.

Family of John and Ann Lattamore.

Rebecka Latimer, b. Oct. 6th, 1646.
Naomy Latimer, b. April 4th, 1648.
Bygaar Latimer, b. Aug. 6th, 1649.
JOHN LATIMER, b. Jan. 4th, 1651.
m. 1680, MARY ROBINSON, b. 1654.
Lesheba Latimer, b. Dec. 26th, 1652.
Jonathan Latimer, b. Aug. 6th, 1655.
Bezeleel Latimer, b. July 26th, 1657.

3rd Generation.

Family of John and Mary (Robinson) Latimer.

ANN LATIMER, d. Oct. 6th, 1752.
m. Nov. 30th, 1699, EBENEZER BISHOP, Sr., b. Aug. 5th, 1675. d. Feb., 1744.
Mary Latimer.
m. —— Baxter.
Bezaleel Latimer.
Luther Latimer.

ROBINSON.

1st Generation.

THOMAS ROBINSON, d. 1689.
MARY, his wife, d. July 27th, 1668.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF THOMAS AND MARY ROBINSON.

Thomas Robinson, b. 1650. d. July 2nd, 1712.
m. Sarah (3) Cruttenden. (Abraham 2, Abraham 1).
m. 2nd, Sarah (3) Grave. (John 2, George 1).
Ann Robinson, b. 1652.
m. Oct. 16th, 1670, Joseph Dudley.
MARY ROBINSON, b. 1654.
m. 1680, JOHN LATIMER, b. Jan. 4th, 1651.
Saint Robinson, b. 1656.
Jonathan Robinson, b. 1659. d. April, 1684. s.
David Robinson, b. 1660. d. 1747.
m. Abigail Kirby, daughter of John Kirby.
Elizabeth Robinson, b. 1662. d. Sept. 30th, 1745.
m. Benjamin Gould, d. May, 1718.

STEVENS.

1st Generation.

JOHN STEVENS, born in England. d. Sept. 2nd, 1670.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN STEVENS.

John Stevens. Remained in England.
Thomas Stevens, b. in England. d. Nov. 18th, 1685.
m. Mary Fletcher.
WILLIAM STEVENS, b. in England, 1630. d. Jan., 1703.
m. March 3rd, 1653, MARY MEIGS, b. in England, 1633.
d. April 30, 1703.
Mary Stevens.
m. Henry Kingsnorth.

3rd Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM AND MARY (MEIGS) STEVENS.

John Stevens, b. March 3rd, 1654. Killed in the Pequot war, 1676. s.
Samuel Stevens, b. March 1st, 1656.
m. Elizabeth ———.
Nathaniel Stevens, b. May 10th, 1659. d. young.
NATHANIEL STEVENS, Sr., b. Oct. 29th, 1661. d. October, 1709.
SARAH, his wife, died May 24th, 1746.
Juliett Stevens, b. Oct. 1st, 1668.
m. Samuel Buell.
Josiah Stevens, b. Dec. 8th, 1670. d. March 15th, 1754.
m. Sarah Hubbell.
Mary Stevens, b. Nov. 2nd, 1677.
m. Joseph Harris.

4th Generation.

FAMILY OF NATHANIEL AND SARAH STEVENS.

NATHANIEL STEVENS, Jr., d. May 8th, 1747.
m. Nov. 10th, 1713, MINDWELL GRAVE, b. Nov. 4th, 1696. d. Feb. 12th, 1771.
Sarah Stevens, d. 1726.
m. Stephen Bishop.
Elizabeth Stevens, d. Feb. 10th, 1725.
m. John Graves.

5th Generation.

FAMILY OF NATHANIEL AND MINDWELL (GRAVE) STEVENS.

Mindwell Stevens, b. Feb. 2nd, 1715. d. Jan. 22nd, 1761.
m. Jonathan Crampton.
Nathaniel Stevens, b. June 6th, 1721. d. Oct. 8th, 1798.
m. Sarah Griswold.
SARAH STEVENS, b. March 16th, 1722. d. Richmond, Mass., Oct. 5th, 1802.
m. Nov. 2nd, 1737, EBENEZER BISHOP, Jr., b. 1707. d. Oct. 27th, 1747.
m. 2nd, April 29th, 1754, William Chittenden, b. 1706. d. Jan. 14th, 1786.
Priscilla Stevens, b. May 20th, 1725.
m. Benjamin Crampton.

Elizabeth Stevens, b. Jan. 8th, 1727. d. April 3rd, 1801.
m. Timothy Hill.
Elihu Stevens, b. April 8th, 1731. d. January, 1814.
m. Rachel Meigs.
Eliakim Stevens, b. Oct. 4th, 1734. d. Jan. 29th, 1784.
m. Susannah French.
Mabel Stevens, b. Oct. 8th, 1739.
m. Timothy Munger.

MEGGS. MEIGS.

1st Generation.

VINCENT MEGGS, born in England, 1583. d. in Connecticut, Dec. 1st, 1658.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF VINCENT MEGGS.

Vincent Meggs, b. in England, 1609. d. in England, without issue.
JOHN MEIGS, b. in England, 1612. d. Jan. 4th, 1671-2.
m. 1632, in England, TOMASINE FRYE.
Mark Meggs, b. in England, 1614. d. in Connecticut, without issue.

3rd Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN AND TOMASINE (FRYE) MEIGS.

MARY MEIGS, b. in England, 1633. d. in Connecticut, April 30th, 1703.
m. March 3rd, 1653, WILLIAM STEVENS, b. 1630.
d. January, 1703.
JOHN MEIGS, Jr., b. in Weymouth, Mass., Feb. 29th, 1640.
d. Nov. 9th, 1713.
m. March 7th, 1665, SARAH WILCOXSON, b. 1649.
d. Nov. 24th, 1691.
m. 2nd, (Widow) Lydia (Thompson) Cruttenden.
d. December, 1727.
Tryal Meigs.
m. 1668, Andrew (2) Ward, (Andrew 1), of Killingworth, Conn.
Concurrence Meigs, b. 1643. d. Oct. 9th, 1708.
m. Henry Crane.
Elizabeth Meigs.
m. 1650, Richard Hubbell.

GRAVE.

1st Generation.

GEORGE GRAVE, b. about 1605. d. in Hartford, Conn., September, 1673.
Sarah, probably his second wife, is mentioned in his will.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE GRAVE.

George Grave, d. Dec. 3rd, 1692.
m. April 2nd, 1651, Elizabeth Ventres.
JOHN GRAVE, Sr., b. 1633. d. Dec. 31st, 1695.
m. 1st, Nov. 26th, 1657, ELIZABETH STILLWELL,
d. June 4th, 1669.
m. 2nd, ELIZABETH CRUTTENDEN.
There were also some daughters in this family.

3rd Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN GRAVE, SR., AND ELIZABETH (STILLWELL).

JOHN GRAVE, Jr., b. Feb. 27th, 1659. d. Dec. 1st, 1726.
m. Jan. 6th, 1685, ELIZABETH FOOT, b. March 3rd, 1664.
d. May, 1730.
Elizabeth Grave, b. April 12th, 1661. d. 1662.
Elizabeth Grave, b. Sept. 16th, 1665. d. June 4th, 1669.
Sarah Grave, b. March 14th, 1668. d. Sept. 10th, 1715.
m., as second wife, Thomas Robinson.

4th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN GRAVE, JR., AND ELIZABETH (FOOT).

Elizabeth Grave, b. July 17th, 1686. d. May 28th, 1687.
Mehittable Grave, b. Feb. 1st, 1688.
m. Cornelius Hull.
John Grave, b. Feb. 1st, 1689. d. July 17th, 1763.
m. Elizabeth Stevens.
Ann Grave, b. Aug. 19th, 1692.
Noadiah Grave, b. Dec. 4th, 1694. d. July, 1751.
m. Sarah ———.
MINDWELL GRAVE, b. Nov. 4th, 1696. d. Feb. 12th, 1771.
m. Nov. 10th, 1713, NATHANIEL STEVENS, Jr.
d. May 8th, 1747.

Sarah Grave, b. April 14th, 1699. d. May 30th, 1784.
m. Thomas French.
David Grave, b. Jan. 31st, 1701. d. Nov. 16th, 1726.
m. Prudence Willard.
Elizabeth Grave, b. Jan. 4th, 1703. d. Nov. 2nd, 1775.
Ebenezer Grave, b. July 15th, 1705. d. March 1st, 1785.
m. Mary Isbell.

STILLWELL.

1st Generation

JASPER STILLWELL, d. November 8th, 1656.
ELIZABETH, his wife.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF JASPER AND ELIZABETH STILLWELL.

ELIZABETH STILLWELL, d. June 4th, 1669.
m. Nov. 26th, 1657, JOHN GRAVE, Sr., b. 1633.
d. Dec. 31st, 1695.

FOOT.

1st Generation.

NATHANIEL FOOT, b. 1593. d. 1644.
m. in England, ELIZABETH DEMING. d. July 28th, 1683.

2nd Generation.

FAMILY OF NATHANIEL AND ELIZABETH (DEMING) FOOT.

Elizabeth Foot, b. 1616. d. Sept. 8th, 1700.
m. Josiah Churchill.
Nathaniel Foot, b. 1620. d. 1655.
m. Elizabeth Smith.
Mary Foot, b. 1623.
m. John Stoddard.
ROBERT FOOT, b. 1627. d. 1681.
SARAH, his wife.
Frances Foot, b. 1629.
m. John Dickinson.
Sarah Foot, b. 1632. d. 1673.
m. Jeremiah Judson.
Rebecca Foot, b. 1634. d. April 6th, 1701.
m. Philip Smith.

3rd Generation.

FAMILY OF ROBERT AND SARAH FOOT.

Nathaniel Foot, b. April 13th, 1660. d. 1714.
m. Tabitha Bishop.
Sarah Foot, b. Feb. 12th, 1662.
m. Isaac Curtis, of Wallingford, Conn.
ELIZABETH FOOT, b. March 3rd, 1664. d. May, 1730.
m. Jan. 6th, 1685, JOHN GRAVE, Jr., b. Feb. 27th, 1659.
d. Dec. 1st, 1726.
Joseph Foot, b. March 6th, 1666. d. March 6th, 1751.
m. Abigail Johnson.
Samuel Foot, b. May 14th, 1668. d. 1696.
m. Abigail Barker.
John Foot, b. July 24th, 1670. d. 1713.
m. Mary ———.
Stephen Foot, b. Dec. 14th, 1672. d. Oct. 23rd, 1762.
m. Elizabeth Nash.
Isaac Foot, b. Dec. 14th, 1672. d. Feb. 11th, 1758.
m. Rebecca Dickerman.

CHAPTER VIII.

DESCENDANTS OF CALEB AND SARAH (BISHOP) BENTON.

6th Generation.

FAMILY OF CALEB AND SARAH (BISHOP) BENTON.

Born in Guilford, Conn.

1. Linus Benton, b. March 20th, 1768. d. Sept. 11th, 1778. Buried in "The Green," at Guilford, Conn.
1. Joel Benton, b. May 13th, 1772. d. April 13th, 1850. 2.
m. June 7th, 1795, Delia Sears, dau. of Stephen and Sibyl (Hunt) Sears, of Sharon, Conn. b. July 10th, 1771. d. March 26th, 1865. Both are buried in the Leedsville, N. Y., public cemetery.
1. Sarah Benton, b. Sept. 17th, 1774. d. May 16th, 1848. 3.
m. May 8th, 1799, Stephen Reed, son of James and Joanna (Castle) Reed. b. Sept. 14th, 1770. d. Feb. 9th, 1817. Both are buried at South Amenia, N. Y.
1. Betsey Benton, b. Jan. 10th, 1777. d. May 13th, 1851. Buried at Lancaster, O. 4.
m. June 7th, 1798, Amos Beecher, son of Abraham and Desire (Tolls) Beecher. b. Sept. 12th, 1774. d. Dec. 19th, 1819. Buried at Sharon, Conn.
1. Juliana Benton, b. Dec. 20th, 1779. d. April 23rd, 1860. 5.
m. July 8th, 1804, William Germond, son of John and Elizabeth (Filkin) Germond. b. July 11th, 1773. d. July 1st, 1832. Both are buried at Poughkeepsie, New York.
1. Clarissa Benton, b. Jan. 9th, 1782. d. Oct. 3rd, 1798. Buried in "The Green," at Guilford, Conn.
1. Parnal Benton, b. Jan. 4th, 1785. d. Aug. 27th, 1831. Buried in the family cemetery at Leedsville, New York.
m. Dec. 24th, 1807, Benjamin Jarvis.

1. William Alfred Benton, b. Aug. 30th, 1788. d. May 12th, 1865.
   m. Feb. 20th, 1812, Cythera Reed, b. Jan. 16th, 1793. d. Aug. 11th, 1825. 6.
   m. June 7th, 1826, Betsey Reed, b. Feb. 5th, 1800. d. Nov. 12th, 1876. They were daughters of Ezra and Esther (Edgerton) Reed. The three are buried in the family cemetery at Leedsville, N. Y. 7.

7th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOEL AND DELIA (SEARS) BENTON.

Born in Amenia, New York.

2. Albert Sears Benton, b. Aug. 1st, 1796. d. Goshen, N. Y., July 29th, 1849. 8.
   m. Aug. 6th, 1823, Emily Jackson.
   (She afterward married Hector Hitchcock.)
2. Simeon Blackman Benton, b. March 12th, 1798. d. April 12th, 1883. Buried at Leedsville, New York. 9.
   m. Oct. 23rd, 1828, Deborah Hallock, b. Dec. 14th, 1809. d. Jan. 5th, 1893. Buried at Poughkeepsie, New York.
2. Clarissa Benton, b. Feb. 21st, 1800. d. July 11th, 1880. Buried at Rhinebeck, N. Y. 10.
   m. Jan. 26th, 1820, Joseph Drake Hunt, b. Dec. 12th, 1796. d. Feb. 6th, 1864.
2. Juliana Benton, b. April 8th, 1803. d. Sept. 18th, 1804.
2. Adeline Benton, b. March 23rd, 1806. d. Feb. 7th, 1887. 11.
   m. Oct. 7th, 1829, Calvin A. Beecher.
2. Delia Benton, b. Oct. 1st, 1809. d. Dec. 28th, 1844. s.

7th Generation.

FAMILY OF SARAH (BENTON) AND STEPHEN REED.

Born in Amenia, New York.

3. Clarissa Benton Reed, b. April 1st, 1800. d. June 16th, 1859. s.
3. Charles Reed, b. April 23rd, 1802. d. Aug. 31st, 1803.
3. Caroline Reed, b. Jan. 20th, 1804. d. April 8th, 1835. 12.
   m. Aug. 9th, 1825, Moses Hawley Knap, b. April 2nd, 1801. d. Nov. 3rd, 1828.
3. Sidney Reed, b. Sept. 19th, 1806. d. Oct. 18th, 1834. s.
3. Parnal Reed, b. Jan. 17th, 1810. d. March 17th, 1850. s.

3. George William Reed, b. Feb. 4th, 1815. d. Dec. 5th, 1870. 13.
m. Dec. 19th, 1837, Martha Crous, b. Sept. 24th, 1815. d. Aug. 18th, 1856.
m. Dec. 3rd, 1856, Mrs. Louisa J (Colwell) Beach, b. Sept. 18th, 1816.

7th Generation.

FAMILY OF BETSEY (BENTON) AND AMOS BEECHER.

Born in Sharon, Conn.

4. Myron Caleb Beecher, b. April 18th, 1799. d. July 29th, 1820. s.
4. Clarissa Benton Beecher, b. Oct. 9th, 1800. d. Jan. 29th, 1804.
4. Sarah Ann Beecher, b. June 12th, 1802. d. May 28th, 1828. 14.
m. March 1st, 1821, Horace Gregory.
4. Amos Benton Beecher, b. Sept. 12th, 1804. d. Feb. 20th, 1886. 15.
m. Feb. 16th, 1832, Harriet N. Wells.
4. Maria E. Beecher, b. March 1st, 1807. d. Aug. 23rd, 1896. 16.
m. Nov. 22nd, 1825, James White, M. D. d. Sept. 25th, 1868.
4. Julia Amanda Beecher, b. Jan. 9th, 1809. d. Feb. 20th, 1864. 17.
m. Feb. 27, 1827, William Prindle. d. June, 1882.
4. Susan Gillespie Beecher, b. Feb. 7th, 1811. d. June 27th, 1898. 18.
m. March 4th, 1830, Judson St. John, b. Nov. 2nd, 1802.
d. Sept. 14th, 1886.
4. Henrietta Parnal Beecher, b. June 30th, 1817. 19.
m. Dec. 3rd, 1833, George Kauffman, b. Baltimore, Md., May 14th, 1797. d. Nov. 6th, 1866.

7th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIANA (BENTON) AND WILLIAM GERMOND.

5. Caroline Germond, b. June 27th, 1805. d. April 18th, 1880. 20.
m. Nov. 6th, 1828, George Washington Germond, b. Nov. 24th, 1801. d. May 3rd, 1890.
5. Parnal Benton Germond, b. March 11th, 1807. d. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 6th, 1835. s.
5. Julia Amanda Germond, b. Dec. 8th, 1808. d. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., March 31st, 1867. s.
5. George Clinton Germond, b. Dec. 29th, 1810. d. Feb. 16th, 1856. 21.
m. June 25th, 1833, Elizabeth Bridgwood, b. Aug. 19th, 1811.
d. April 24th, 1895.

5. Jane Beadle Germond, b. Dec. 29th, 1812. d. Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 28th, 1892.
   m. Sept. 14th, 1831, William Hunt, b. 1804. d. Dec. 2nd, 1855. He was brother of Joseph D. Hunt, husband of Clarissa (Benton).
5. Alfred Treadway Germond, b. Nov. 30th, 1814. d. Wisconsin, Aug., 1882. 22.
   m. May 31st, 1848, Mary Halstead.
5. ——— daughter, b. April 7th, 1817. d. in infancy.
5. Joel Benton Germond, b. Dec. 15th, 1818. d. Jan. 5, 1895. 23.
   m. April 12th, 1849, S. Pamela Hunt, of New York City.
5. Charles William Germond, b. March 18th, 1821. 24.
   m. June 13th, 1850, Margaret B. Corning.
5. Caleb Benton Germond, b. March 23rd, 1823.

7th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM ALFRED AND CYTHERA (REED) BENTON.

Born in Amenia, N. Y.

6. Alfred Caleb Benton, b. Dec. 5th, 1812. d. Dec. 1st, 1814.
6. Harriet Middlebrook Benton, b. Jan. 27th, 1814.
6. Sarah Jane Benton, b. Feb. 5th, 1816. d. Aug. 24th, 1834. s.
6. Juliana Benton, b. Feb. 16th, 1818. d. Schoolcraft, Mich., Sept. 20th, 1850. 25.
   m. Aug. 25th, 1846, Jerome Thompson Cobb, b. Goshen, Conn., Dec. 29th, 1821. d. Schoolcraft, Mich., Nov. 15th, 1893. He was son of Nathan and Sally (Thompson) Cobb, of Goshen, Litchfield Co., Conn. He afterward married Harriet Felt, who died Dec. 12th, 1892.
6. Horace Fitch Benton, b. Dec. 17th, 1819. d. May 12th, 1845. s.
6. Linus William Benton, b. June 27th, 1822. d. Oct. 8th, 1847. s.
6. John Abbott Benton, b. July 17th, 1824. d. Sept. 15th, 1825.

7th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM ALFRED AND BETSEY (REED) BENTON.

Born in Amenia, N. Y.

7. Caleb Benton, b. May 23rd, 1827. d. Feb. 9th, 1840.
7. Helen Cythera Benton, b. Dec. 5th, 1828. 26.
   m. June 5th, 1856, Henry Barlow, b. Feb. 18th, 1825. d. Dec. 24th, 1903. He was the son of Jesse and Julia (Knickerbocker) Barlow, of Amenia, Dutchess Co., New York.

7. Adelaide Benton, b. July 2nd, 1830. d. June 10th, 1834.
7. Orville Alfred Benton, b. May 26th, 1832. d. Amenia, N. Y., Oct. 9th, 1884. s.
7. Myron Beecher Benton, b. Aug. 26th, 1834. d. Nov. 24th, 1902.
   m. Fishkill, N. Y., May 25th, 1871, Mary Anna Adams, b. May 30th, 1840. d. Dec. 10th, 1896. She was the daughter of Abel and Phebe (Hallock) Adams, of Poughkeepsie, New York.
7. Elizabeth Benton, b. Feb. 15th, 1836. d. April 10th, 1839.
7. Ezra Reed Benton, b. July 19th, 1839. 27.
   m. Amenia, N. Y., Oct. 18th, 1865, Rebecca Lowrey Hitchcock, b. March 17th, 1841. d. April 5th, 1901. She was daughter of Homer and Rebecca Maria (Lowrey) Hitchcock, of Amenia, N. Y. The Hitchcock and Lowrey families were from Sharon, Conn.
7. Charles Edward Benton, b. Sept. 11th, 1841.
   m. Southampton, N. Y., Oct. 6th, 1870, Clara Rogers Foster, b. Southampton, N. Y., July 26th, 1849. d. Sharon, Conn., June 13th, 1872. Daughter of Isaac Post and Mary Rogers (Herrick) Foster. 28.
   m. June 3rd, 1875, Harriet Maria Drown, b. March 17th, 1847. Daughter of William Frederick and Harriet Jackson (Smith) Drown, of New Bedford, Mass. 29.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF ALBERT S. AND EMILY (JACKSON) BENTON.

8. Theodore Jackson Benton, b. June 22nd, 1824. d. June 4th, 1825.
8. Delia Benton, b. Feb. 13th, 1826. d. June 19th, 1846. s.
8. Frances E. Benton, b. April 11th, 1828. d. Sept. 15th, 1862. 30.
   m. July 19th, 1861, Joseph B. Murphy.
8. Mary Adeline Benton, b. Feb. 17th, 1830. d. March 11th, 1869.
   m. Nov. 12th, 1856, Charles L. Leete. d. Oct., 1888. 31.
8. Emily H. Benton, b. July 31st, 1832. d. Aug. 8th, 1833.
8. Clarissa Hunt Benton, b. Jan. 8th, 1837. d. March 14th, 1839.
8. Albert Hunt Benton, b. Aug. 23rd, 1839. d. Feb. 21st, 1854.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF SIMEON B. AND DEBORAH (HALLOCK) BENTON.

9. Joel Benton, b. Amenia, N. Y., May 29th, 1832.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF CLARISSA (BENTON) AND JOSEPH D. HUNT.

Born in Amenia, N. Y.

10. Aaron Benton Hunt, b. Feb. 21st, 1821. d. April 1st, 1825.
10. Rev. Andrew Jackson Hunt, b. Oct. 27th, 1824. d. Rhinebeck, N. Y., May 13th, 1881. 32.
m. Rhinebeck, N. Y., June 20th, 1867, Phebe Rutsen Bowne, d. April 6th, 1905. Daughter of John Rodman and Grace (Sands) Bowne.
10. Rev. Albert Sanford Hunt, b. July 3rd, 1827. d. Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 11th, 1898. s.
10. Emily Benton Hunt, b. May 10th, 1832. d. Feb. 18th, 1851 s.
10. Phebe Hunt, b. May 19th, 1834. d. June 6th, 1834.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF ADELINE (BENTON) AND CALVIN A. BEECHER.

11. Adelaide Eudora Beecher, b. Dec. 15th, 1830. d. Aug. 23rd, 1900.
m. Oct. 28th, 1862, Frederick O. Rogers. 33.
11. Henry Clay Beecher, b. April 6th, 1834. d. in New York City. 34.
m. F. Gertrude Snow.
11. William A. Beecher, b. April 12th, 1836. d. aged nine months.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF CAROLINE (REED) AND MOSES H. KNAP.

12. Lucy Hawley Knap, b. New York City, Oct. 5th, 1826. d. Bridgeport, Conn., May 23rd, 1900. 35.
m. Sept. 16th, 1845, Francis Asbury Sanford, b. Redding, Conn., Aug. 13th, 1824. d. Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 13th, 1899.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE W. AND MARTHA (CROUS) REED.

Born in Amenia, N. Y.

13. Caroline Reed, b. May 18th, 1844. d. May 4th, 1851.
13. Martha L. Reed, b. July 1st, 1856. d. Sept. 16th, 1863.
13. George Sidney Reed, b. July 1st, 1856. 36.
m. Dothan Ellen Atwood, b. Nepaug, Conn., May 1st, 1860.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF SARAH ANN (BEECHER) AND HORACE GREGORY.

14. Harriet Gregory.
14. Myron Beecher Gregory, b. Feb. 24th, 1825. d. Aug. 6th, 1867.
14. Harriet Gregory.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF AMOS B. AND HARRIET N. (WELLS) BEECHER.

15. David Beecher.
15. Elizabeth Beecher, b. Feb. 2nd, 1849.
m. Thomas Hanna, d. May 19th, 1883.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARIA E. (BEECHER) AND DR. JAMES WHITE.

16. Julia Ann White, b. May 10th, 1828. d. March 9th, 1885. 37.
m. May 31st, 1849, Edward L. Slocum. d. Feb. 15th, 1898, aged 76.
16. Catharine Creed White, b. Aug. 21st, 1831. d. Aug. 20th, 1835.
16. Stanley Benton White, b. Dec. 14th, 1834. d. Nov. 10th, 1903.
m. 1st. —— ——. 38.
m. 2ndly, Dec. 11th, 1870, Hannah Farmer, b. Dec. 14th, 1852. 39.
16. Edward Beecher White, b. May 17th, 1837.
m. Dec. 7th, 1864, Josephine Claypool, b. Aug. 26th, 1843. 40.
dau. of Albert Claypool.
16. Dr. James W. White, b. Oct. 11th, 1841. d. Aug. 3rd, 1891. s.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIA AMANDA (BEECHER) AND WILLIAM PRINDLE.

17. Sarah Maria Prindle, b. May 30th, 1828. d. Dec. 11th, 1894
m. 1stly, Nathaniel Adams, d. March, 1861. 41.
m. 2ndly, Nov. 29th, 1865, Reuben Shellenbarger, b. Nov. 30th, 1815. He was a widower, whose first wife was Lula Crawford. 42.
m. 3rdly, March 14th, 1886, Dr. John Flower.
17. Clarissa Prindle.
17. Myron Beecher Prindle, b. April 3rd, 1833. 43.
m. Dec. 15th, 1858, Delia E. Shellenbarger, (dau. of Reuben S.), b. Aug. 10th, 1840. d. Dec. 28th, 1877.
m. Dec. 23rd, 1886, Elizabeth Allen Hill, b. Jan. 31st, 1855. 44.

17. Milo Clark Prindle, b. April 3rd, 1833. d. May 31st, 1902. 45.
m. Dec. 22nd, 1859, Catharine Lamott, b. Jan. 11th, 1842. d. Dec. 4th, 1895.
17. Sibyl Elizabeth Prindle.
17. Henrietta Kauffman Prindle, b. July 21st, 1843. 46.
m. Oct. 11th, 1870, Amos Gabriel Beery, b. Sept. 7th, 1844.
17. Mark W. Prindle, b. Feb. 14th, 1847.
m. Lancaster, Ohio, Jan. 27th, 1875, Anna Lugenia Ackers, b. Nov. 23rd, 1856.
17. Julia Amanda Prindle, b. Feb. 14th, 1847. 47.
m. March 3rd, 1870, Frederick Allen Lamb, b. Jan. 16th, 1843.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF SUSAN G. (BEECHER) AND JUDSON ST. JOHN.

Born in Sharon, Conn.

18. Susan Cythera St. John, b. Jan. 23rd, 1831.
m. Sharon, Conn., Jan. 23rd, 1855, William Chapman, b. Sharon, Conn., May 19th, 1824. d. Sharon, Conn., Nov. 20th, 1855.
m. Sharon, Conn., Feb. 4th, 1857, John Fogg Twombly, b. Berwick, Me., Dec. 26th, 1826. d. N. Y. City, May 10th, 1884. 48.
18. John Dwight St. John, b. Feb. 2nd, 1832. 49.
m. March 16th, 1853, Mary E. Andrews, b. Mabbettsville, N. Y., July 30th, 1831.
18. Amos Beecher St. John, b. Jan. 7th, 1834. d. April 6th, 1834.
18. Mary Elizabeth St. John, b. Jan. 9th, 1835. 50.
m. Sharon, Conn., May, 1871, Henry Belden.
18. ———, twins, boy and girl, b. May 22nd, 1837, died the same day.
18. Julia Maria St. John, b. Oct. 8th, 1838. d. Sept. 5th, 1855. s.
18. Harrison Beecher St. John, b. March 14th, 1841. 51.
m. Sharon, Conn., Jan. 18th, 1864, Julia Levinus.
18. Sarah Ann Gregory St. John, b. Nov. 28th, 1844. 52.
d. June 5th, 1893.
m. Sharon, Conn., Nov. 17th, 1864, George Roberts Coles.
18. Ida Sanderine St. John, b. Dec. 13th, 1846. d. Sept. 17th, 1848.
18. Ada Sanderine St. John, b. Dec. 13th, 1846. 53.
m. Oct. 14th, 1868, Silas Daniel Webb, b. Greenport, N. Y., 1840.
18. Amos Judson St. John, b. June 6th, 1849. d. Feb. 8th, 1850.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF HENRIETTA PARNAL (BEECHER) AND GEORGE KAUFFMAN.

19. ——, a son, died in infancy.
19. Maria Elizabeth Kauffman, d. aged five months.
19. Margaret Mazenia Kauffman, b. June 26th, 1837. 54.
m. Dec. 10th, 1862, Charles N. Goulding, b. Nov. 1st, 1831.
d. California, 1896.
19. Julia E. Kauffman, b. April 28th, 1847. d. Dec. 7th, 1851.
19. Henrietta Luella Kauffman, b. July 16th, 1851.
19. George Beecher Kauffman, b. Sept. 19th, 1855. 55.
m. Sept. 5th, 1878, Eunice Hughes, b. Jan. 24th, 1859.
19. Linus Benton Kauffman, b. June 11th, 1858. 56.
m. June 12th, 1884, Clara Norton, dau. of T. R. Norton, b. June 24th, 1857.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF CAROLINE (GERMOND) AND GEORGE W. GERMOND.

20. —— son, b. Aug. 22nd, 1829. d. in infancy.
20. Arthur Germond, b. Oct. 10th, 1831. 57.
m. Aug. 24th, 1871, Anna R. Wilkins, b. 1834.
d. Dec. 8th, 1904.
20. William Germond, b. June 28th, 1833. 58.
m. Nov. 15th, 1857, Elizabeth A. Lucas. d. April 1st, 1893.
20. ——, son, b. March 27th, 1835. d. in infancy.
20. Juliana Germond, b. April 15th, 1836.
20. Alfred Germond, b. Feb. 18th, 1838.
20. Isaac Germond, b. March 24th, 1841.
m. March 4th, 1874, Henrietta Scofield. d. Nov. 28th, 1880. 59.
m. April 2nd, 1884, Ella Manney Burhans. 60.
20. Mary Germond, b. March 12th, 1843.
20. George Congdon Germond, b. March 6th, 1847.
m. April 10th, 1882, Emma E. Eagers. 61.
20. Charles Haight Germond, b. June 9th, 1848.
d. June 10th, 1873. s.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE C. AND ELIZABETH (BRIDGWOOD) GERMOND.

21. Henry Sheldon Germond, b. June 14th, 1834. 62.
m. Nov. 10th, 1864, Mary Adams, b. July 7th, 1842.
d. Feb. 12th, 1891.

21. George Bridgwood Germond, b. July 30th, 1839. 63.
m. about 1867, Kate Westervelt.
21. Alice Germond, b. Nov. 7th, 1848.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF ALFRED T. AND MARY (HALSTEAD) GERMOND.

22. William U. Germond, b. Dec. 21st, 1849.
22. Albert Halstead Germond, b. May 6th, 1851. d. Aug. 28th, 1856.
22. George H. Germond. 64.
m. Amelia Germond, (No. 24), dau. of Charles William Germond.
22. Sarah Elizabeth Germond, b. Aug. 22nd, 1857.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOEL B. AND S. PAMELA (HUNT) GERMOND.

23. William Hunt Germond, b. April 23rd, 1850. d. Dec. 20th, 1853.
23. Irving Hunt Germond, b. Nov. 2nd, 1854. 65.
m. Ellen Redfield.
23. Joel Arnoux Germond, b. Nov. 16th, 1856.
m. Myrtel Millwood.
23. Harry Johnston Germond, b. Dec. 16th, 1859. 66.
m. Minnie Spencer.
23. Myra Germond, b. Oct. 3rd, 1866.
23. Charles Germond, b. 1871. d. 1873.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF CHARLES W. AND MARGARET B. (CORNING) GERMOND.

24. Charles Edgar Germond, b. July 6th, 1852. d. July 17th, 1852.
24. William Corning Germond, b. Sept. 20th, 1856. d. about 1889.
m. Louisa Kipp.
24. ——, daughter, b. March 15th, 1859. d. in infancy.
24. Amelia A. Germond. 64.
m. George H. Germond, (No. 22), son of Alfred T. Germond.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIANA (BENTON) AND JEROME T. COBB.

Born in Schoolcraft, Mich.

25. William Benton Cobb, b. Dec. 1st, 1847. 67.
m. Dec. 15th, 1869, Louisa Harriet Nichols, b. Hamilton, N. Y.,

March 11, 1846. Daughter of Orson and Eliza (Felt) Nichols.

25. Juliana Cobb, b. Sept. 14th, 1850. d. Oct. 4th, 1850.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF HELEN C. (BENTON) AND HENRY BARLOW.

Born in Amenia, N. Y.

26. Ruth Barlow, b. May 10th, 1858. d. Aug. 29th, 1872.
26. Lucy Barlow, b. Aug. 25th, 1859. d. Oct. 10th, 1871.
26. Alfred Barlow, b. April 17th, 1861. d. Aug. 25th, 1862.
26. William Benton Barlow, b. Oct. 25th, 1862. 68.
m. Becket, Mass., June 8th, 1887, Evangeline Smith, b. Sept. 5th, 1859. Daughter of Samuel Newell and Sarah Elizabeth (Terrell) Smith.
26. Elisha Barlow, b. Dec. 6th, 1864. d. Peru, Mass., Dec. 6th, 1879.
26. Myron Barlow, b. March 11th, 1867. 69.
m. Hinsdale, Mass., Dec. 24th, 1895, Emily Zilpha Storm, b. Elizabeth, New Jersey, July 29th, 1874. Daughter of Azariah Smith and Emily (Payne) Storm, of Hinsdale, Mass.
26. Julia Barlow, b. April 15th, 1869. 70.
m. Peru, Mass., Jan. 28th, 1891, Albert Edward Cline, b. March 7th, 1867. Son of Edward E. and Frances A. (Reed) Cline, of Amenia, N. Y.
26. Jesse Barlow, b. March 21st, 1871. d. April 6th, 1871.
26. John Barlow, b. Nov. 28th, 1872.
26. Jessie Barlow, b. Nov. 14th, 1874.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF EZRA R. AND REBECCA L. (HITCHCOCK) BENTON.

27. Lillian Maria Benton, b. Sept. 7th, 1866.
27. Homer Hitchcock Benton, b. May 30th, 1868. d. July 1st, 1877.
27. Betsey Reed Benton, b. June 23rd, 1879. d. Jan. 30th, 1880.
27. William Alfred Benton, b. Dec. 16th, 1881. 71.
m. Amenia, N. Y., June 3rd, 1903, Delia Pierce Bassett, b. Plainville, Conn., Feb. 3rd, 1882. Daughter of Orrin Alonzo and Celia Maria (Tyler) (Parrish) Bassett.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF CHARLES E. AND CLARA R. (FOSTER) BENTON.

28. Clara Foster Benton, b. Sharon, Conn., June 11th, 1872. d. Nov. 1st, 1872. The mother and her child are buried at Southampton, N. Y.

8th Generation.

FAMILY OF CHARLES E. AND HARRIET M. (DROWN) BENTON.

29. Harriet Jackson Benton, b. Sharon, Conn., Dec. 8th, 1885.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF FRANCES E. (BENTON) AND JOSEPH B. MURPHY.

30. Emily Benton Murphy, b. Sept. 2nd, 1862.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARY A. (BENTON) AND CHARLES L. LEETE.

31. John Albert Leete, b. Oct. 19th, 1857. 72.
m. Sept. 15th, 1884, Alice E. Tiffany, b. March 15th, 1858.
31. Charles Benton Leete, b. Feb. 21st, 1860. 73.
m. Dec. 18th, 1889, Lina A. Southmayd. d. April 30th, 1892.
31. William Story Leete, b. April 14th, 1863. d. Jan. 31st, 1864.
31. Fannie Murphy Leete, b. June 28th, 1866. d. April 15th, 1867.
31. Mary Benton Leete, b. Jan. 21st, 1869. d. Aug. 30th, 1869.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF REV. ANDREW J. AND PHEBE R. (BOWNE) HUNT.

32. Grace Sands Hunt, b. Rhinebeck, N. Y., Sept. 9th, 1869. 74.
m. Rhinebeck, N. Y., Oct. 21st, 1893, Henry Eglinton Montgomery, b. N. Y. City. Son of Rev. Henry Eglinton and Margaret Augusta (Lynch) Montgomery.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF ADELAIDE E. (BEECHER) AND FREDERICK O. ROGERS.

33. Lena Beecher Rogers, b. Oct. 23rd, 1864. d. Feb. 2nd, 1871.
33. Minnie H. Rogers, b. Sept. 4th, 1866.
33. Henry Beecher Rogers, b. July 1st, 1869.
m. June 25th, 1896, Anna M. Burt.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF HENRY C. AND F. GERTRUDE (SNOW) BEECHER.

34. Frances Beecher, b. Aug. 1872. d.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF LUCY H. (KNAP) AND FRANCIS A. SANFORD.

Born in Redding, Conn.

35. Caroline Knap Sanford, b. Dec. 2nd, 1848. d. June 27th, 1851.
35. Arthur Benton Sanford. 75.
m. Brooklyn, New York, June 10th, 1886, Nellie May Hunt.
35. Prof. Myron Reed Sanford, b. April 15th, 1854.
35. Emma Caroline Sanford, b. March 13th, 1857.
35. Francis Herbert Sanford, b. April 17th, 1862.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE S. AND DOTHAN E. (ATWOOD) REED.

36. Nathan Beach Reed, b. Thomaston, Conn., Oct. 29th, 1886.
36. Ruth Atwood Reed, b. Thomaston, Conn., Feb. 15th, 1888.
36. Dothan Esther Reed, b. Ontario, Cal., Oct. 29th, 1894.
36. Myron George Reed, b. Bristol, Conn., July 13th, 1896.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIA A. (WHITE) AND EDWARD L. SLOCUM.

37. Lizzie Slocum, b. July 9th, 1851. d. December, 1851.
37. James White Slocum, b. April 13th, 1853. 76.
m. Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 10th, 1878, Amalia Reemelin.
b. July 26th, 1857.
37. Marshall C. Slocum, b. Sept. 4th, 1854. d. Jan. 3rd, 1885.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF STANLEY B. AND ——— (——) WHITE.

38. Charles White, b. 1860. d. March 10th, 1880.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF STANLEY B. AND HANNAH (FARMER) WHITE.

39. Blanche Louisa White, b. Sept. 30th, 1872. 77.
m. Nov. 11th, 1892, Lewis Grant Austin, b. 1869.
d. March 25th, 1893.
39. Maria Elizabeth White, b. June 15th, 1876. 78.
m. Oct. 9th, 1894, Carmi A. King, b. 1873.
m. San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 16th, 1903, Arthur L. Bonney.
39. Dr. Chester Arthur White, b. Aug. 19th, 1881.
39. Edward Beecher White, b. Feb. 20th, 1886.
39. Florence Edna White, b. Nov. 5th, 1888. d. March 13th, 1897.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF EDWARD B. AND JOSEPHINE (CLAYPOOL) WHITE.

Born in Lancaster, Ohio.

40. Albert Claypool White, b. Oct. 4th, 1865. d. Lancaster, Ohio, Jan. 19th, 1905. 79.
m. June 22nd, 1897, Emma Swartz.

40. Maria Elizabeth White, b. Jan. 21st, 1868. 80.
m. Dec. 28th, 1892, Thomas Ewing Steel, b. Aug. 16th, 1864.

40. Nellie C. White, b. Feb. 6th, 1873. 81.
m. Oct. 10th, 1894, Dr. Edward Cook Mills, of Columbus, Ohio, b. Chillicothe, Ohio, Sept. 14th, 1867. Son of William B. and Kate (Morris) Mills.

40. Beecher White, b. Sept. 10th, 1879. d. Jan. 10th, 1880.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF SARAH M. (PRINDLE) AND NATHANIEL ADAMS.

41. William Prindle Adams, b. 1860. d. Feb. 1st, 1881.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF SARAH M. (PRINDLE) (ADAMS) AND REUBEN SHELLENBARGER.

42. Reuben Roe Shellenbarger, b. Aug. 23rd, 1866.
m. Oct. 25th, 1894, Anna Mae Smith, b. March 4th, 1875.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MYRON B. AND DELIA E. (SHELLENBARGER) PRINDLE.

43. Lizzie Julia Prindle, b. Sept. 26th, 1859. 82.
m. Oct. 4th, 1883, Franklin Pierce Claypool, b. April 16th, 1859.

43. Mary Alice Prindle, b. June 30th, 1861. 83.
m. Dec. 24th, 1884, David Andrew Alspaugh, b. March 4th, 1860.

43. Reuben Shellenbarger Prindle, b. July 8th, 1863.
m. Paris, Ky., July 5th, 1889, Jennie Hoy Carpenter, b. Nov. 19th, 1867.

43. Myron Beecher Prindle, b. Dec. 23rd, 1866.
m. —— ——.

43. Bertha Prindle, b. Dec. 23rd, 1866. d. Jan. 6th, 1867.

43. William Mark Prindle, b. Lancaster, Ohio, July 16th, 1869.
m. Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 15th, 1900, Lula Holbrook Snell, b. St. Albins, W. Va., July 19th, 1875.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MYRON B. AND ELIZABETH A. (HILL) PRINDLE.

44. Kate Hill Prindle, b. Oct. 5th, 1887.
44. Helen Maria Prindle, b. Feb. 16th, 1890.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MILO C. AND CATHARINE (LAMOTT) PRINDLE.

45. Clara Beecher Prindle, b. Nov. 18th, 1860. d. March 31st, 1896.
45. Sibyl Prindle, b. June 11th, 1863. d. Jan. 5th, 1882.
45. Isaac Prindle. d.
45. Elizabeth Prindle. d.
45. Mary Prindle. d. in Illinois.
45. William Mark Prindle, b. Feb., 1874. d. May 2nd, 1900.
45. Jennie Prindle, b. October, 1877. d. 1895.

None of this family married.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF HENRIETTA K. (PRINDLE) AND AMOS G. BEERY.

46. Hiram William Beery, b. Nov. 12th, 1873.
46. Frank Wilfred Beery, b. Sept. 17th, 1875. 84.
    m. Feb. 5th, 1903, Maude Murphy, b. Oct. 1st, 1879.
46. Linus Prindle Beery, b. Aug. 17th, 1881.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIA A. (PRINDLE) AND FREDERICK A. LAMB.

47. William Edson Lamb, b. Dec. 25th, 1870. d. Oct. 12th, 1876.
47. Frederick Allen Lamb, b. Oct. 3rd, 1872. 85.
    m. Nov. 28th, 1894, Delphine Hudson Cochran.
    b. Sept. 12th, 1874.
47. Theron Ralph Lamb, b. July 8th, 1876.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF SUSAN C. (ST. JOHN) AND JOHN FOGG TWOMBLY.

48. William Hayes Fogg Twombly, b. New York City, Aug. 1st, 1858. 86.
    m. Mitchell, S. D., Jan. 21st, 1886, Charlotte H. Pingry, b. Portland, Ind., Aug. 28th, 1863.

48. Cythera Twombly, b. Aug. 10th, 1862. d. Shanghai, China, Oct. 9th, 1862.
48. John Fogg Twombly, b. Shanghai, China, Feb. 2nd, 1870. 87.
m. Brookline, Mass., July 20th, 1896, Mabel Rosetta Winch. b. Boston, Mass., May 19th, 1872.
48. Frances Cythera Twombly, b. Shanghai, China, Jan. 1st, 1872. 88.
m. New York City, April 4th, 1894, J. Monroe Taylor Pope. b. Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 10th, 1870.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN D. AND MARY E. (ANDREWS) ST. JOHN.

Born in Sharon, Conn.

49. Charles W. St. John, b. Oct. 9th, 1855.
m. Letcher, Dakota, Oct. 9th, 1884, Anna F. Timn, b. June 10th, 1862.
49. Julia St. John, b. March 15th, 1857. 89.
m. Nov. 19th, 1879, Charles A. Van Tassel, b. May 8th, 1852.
49. Edward Beecher St. John, b. Sept. 12th, 1861. 90.
m. Nov. 17th, 1880, Lillias Morehouse, b. Amenia, N. Y., Sept. 29th, 1863.
49. Cythera Adell St. John, b. Nov. 15th, 1862. d. Dec. 2nd, 1866.
49. Adaline A. St. John, b. Aug. 19th, 1864. 91.
m. Feb. 8th, 1893, James B. Reed, b. July 29th, 1856. Son of Baldwin Reed, 2nd, of Sharon, Conn.
49. Susan St. John, b. Aug. 24th, 1866.
49. Bertha St. John, b. May 15th, 1872.
m. Jan. 10th, 1900. Joseph Morehouse, b. June 18th, 1854. d. March 5th, 1901.
Joseph and Lillias were children of Julius Morehouse, of Amenia, N. Y.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARY E. (ST. JOHN) AND HENRY BELDEN.

50. Albert Belden, b. April 12th, 1874.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF HARRISON B. AND JULIA (LEVINUS) ST. JOHN.

51. George Merrills St. John, b. Dec. 31st, 1864.
51. Frederick Beecher St. John, b. Aug. 11th, 1873.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF SARAH ANN G. (ST. JOHN) AND GEORGE R. COLES.

52. Frank Coles, b. May 7th, 1867.
He is married and has two children.
52. Judson St. John Coles, b. Jan. 11th, 1874.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF ADA S. (ST. JOHN) AND SILAS D. WEBB.

53. Herbert St. John Webb, b. Shanghai, China, Sept. 3rd, 1869. 92.
m. Brookline, Mass., June 8th, 1898, Susan McIntire Conant, b. Jan. 11th, 1870.
53. Leonard Shenell Webb, b. Shanghai, China, Sept. 12th, 1876.
53. Ernest Hallock Webb, b. Shanghai, China, Sept. 5th, 1878.
53. Mabel Webb, b. Sharon, Conn., July 2nd, 1880.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARGARET M. (KAUFFMAN) AND CHARLES N. GOULDING.

54. George Kauffman Goulding, b. Lancaster, Ohio, Oct. 9th, 1863.
54. Marshall Goulding, b. June 21st, 1865. d. Evanston, Ill., March 20th, 1866.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE B. AND EUNICE (HUGHES) KAUFFMAN.

55. Margaret Glenn Kauffman, b. July 8th, 1879. 93.
m. Columbus, Ohio, June 18th, 1903, John Martin Barringer, b. Washington, D. C., Feb. 6th, 1878. Son of Martin and Florence L. (Love) Barringer.
55. Henrietta Christine Kauffman, b. July 23rd, 1881.
55. Myron Beecher Kauffman, b. Sept. 30th, 1885.
55. George Hughes Kauffman, b. Feb. 3rd, 1888.
55. Linus Lee Kauffman, b. June 9th, 1890.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF LINUS B. AND CLARA (NORTON) KAUFFMAN.

56. Betsey Beecher Kauffman, b. Feb. 26th, 1885.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF ARTHUR AND ANNA R. (WILKINS) GERMOND.

57. Charles Arthur Germond, b. March 5th, 1873.
57. Elizabeth Helina Germond, b. Sept. 3rd, 1874.
57. George Frederick Germond, b. Dec. 19th, 1876.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM AND ELIZABETH A. (LUCAS) GERMOND.

58. Samuel Taber Germond, b. Oct. 22nd, 1858.
58. Caroline Elizabeth Germond, b. Jan. 4th, 1864.
m. July 13th, 1884, Charles J. Irish, b. Jan. 4th, 1864.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF ISAAC AND HENRIETTA (SCOFIELD) GERMOND.

59. Smith Peters Germond, b. Jan. 1st, 1878. d. Jan. 10th, 1878.
59. Alice Germond, b. Feb. 7th, 1879.
59. Henrietta Scofield Germond, b. Nov. 25th, 1880.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF ISAAC AND ELLA M. (BURHANS) GERMOND.

60. Clarence Levi Germond, b. Aug. 20th, 1885. d. April 21st, 1886.
60. Clara Olive Germond, b. June 21st, 1889.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE C. AND EMMA (EAGERS) GERMOND.

61. James Wilson Germond, b. Aug. 1st, 1883.
61. George Howard Germond, b. March 25th, 1893.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF HENRY S. AND MARY (ADAMS) GERMOND.

62. Elizabeth Josephine Germond, b. March 13th, 1866.
62. Henry Sheldon Germond, b. Aug. 18th, 1871.
m. June 15th, 1900, Agnes Dana Knowlton, b. Nov. 2nd, 1871.
62. William Jerome Germond, b. Dec. 1st, 1873. d. Feb. 10th, 1875.
62. Mary Adams Germond, b. Aug. 8th, 1876. d. March 8th, 1877.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE B. AND KATE (WESTERVELT) GERMOND.

63. Sarah Louise Germond, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., 1867. d.
63. Kate Germond, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 18th, 1869. 94.
m. Brooklyn, N. Y., June 7th, 1893, Francis Henry Joy.
63. Alice Germond, b. 1873. d. in infancy.
63. George Clinton Germond, b. Orange, New Jersey, 1875.
m. Nov. 14th, 1900, Flora May Clouser.
63. Russell Clark Germond, b. October, 1887.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF GEORGE H. AND AMELIA (GERMOND) GERMOND.

64. Natalie Germond, d. April 28th, 1904.
64. Alfred Germond.
64. Margaret Germond.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF IRVING H. AND ELLEN (REDFIELD) GERMOND.

65. Blanche M. Germond.
65. Aimee Germond.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF HARRY J. AND MINNIE (SPENCER) GERMOND.

66. Vina Germond.
66. Garth Germond.
66. Gladys Germond.
66. Hallett Hunt Germond, b. Oconto, Wis., May 26th, 1900.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM B. AND LOUISA H. (NICHOLS) COBB.

Born in Schoolcraft, Mich.

67. Harriet Juliana Cobb, b. Oct. 8th, 1872. 95.
m. June 24th, 1897, Prof. Lewis Flint Anderson.
b. July 18th, 1866.
67. Della Eliza Cobb, b. May 9th, 1875. 96.
m. Sept. 19th, 1900, Carle Lee Felt, M. D., b. Feb. 23rd, 1870.
67. Roy Jerome Cobb, b. April 16th, 1884.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM B. AND EVANGELINE (SMITH) BARLOW.

Born in Berkshire Co., Mass.

68. Ruth Elnora Barlow, b. March 10th, 1888.
68. Myra Elizabeth Barlow, b. April 16th, 1889. d. May 15th, 1892.
68. Henry Newell Barlow, b. Aug. 3rd, 1890.
68. Helen Cythera Barlow, b. Nov. 5th, 1891.
68. Lucy Harriet Barlow, b. Dec. 17th, 1893.
68. Wilson Smith Barlow, b. March 9th, 1896. d. April 5th, 1896.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF MYRON AND EMILY Z. (STORM) BARLOW.

69. Myron Benton Barlow, b. Hinsdale, Mass., Sept. 12th, 1897.
69. Walter Storm Barlow, b. Boston, Mass., Sept. 14th, 1898.
69. Katharine Mary Barlow, b. Boston, Mass., July 29th, 1901.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIA (BARLOW) AND ALBERT E. CLINE.

Born in Duluth, Minn.

70. Helen Frances Cline, b. April 9th, 1892. d. April 6th, 1896.
70. Jessie Cline, b. Feb. 22nd, 1901.

9th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM A. AND DELIA P. (BASSETT) BENTON.

71. Ezra Reed Benton, b. Plainville, Conn., July 17th, 1905.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN A. AND ALICE E. (TIFFANY) LEETE.

Born at East Bloomfield, Ontario Co., N. Y.

72. Perry Horton Leete, b. Dec. 27th, 1885. d. Nov. 1st, 1897.
72. George Lewis Leete, b. July 26th, 1887.
72. Mary Belle Leete, b. Dec. 6th, 1889.
72. Frieda M. Leete, b. April 21st, 1895. d. Oct. 16th, 1897.
72. Theda M. Leete, b. Aug. 20th, 1897.
72. Alice Rebecca Leete, b. Nov. 8th, 1902.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF CHARLES B. AND LINA A. (SOUTHMAYD) LEETE.

73. Charles Sydney Leete, b. April 20th, 1892.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF GRACE S. (HUNT) AND HENRY E. MONTGOMERY.

74. Margaret Lynch Montgomery, b. March 20th, 1895.
74. Rodman Bowne Montgomery, b. May 6th, 1896.
74. Grace Sands Montgomery, b. June 24th, 1898.
74. Albert Sanford Hunt Montgomery, b. April 5th, 1902.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF REV. ARTHUR B. AND NELLIE M. (HUNT) SANFORD.

75. Arthur Hunt Sanford, b. Greenwich, Conn., Feb. 9th, 1888.
75. Lawrence Hunt Sanford, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., May 25th, 1892.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF JAMES W. AND AMALIA (REEMELIN) SLOCUM.

76. Edward Mark Slocum, b. Aug. 7th, 1882.
76. Karl Reemelin Slocum, b. Oct. 8th, 1884.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF BLANCHE L. (WHITE) AND LEWIS G. AUSTIN.

77. Lewis Grant Austin, b. Sept. 12th, 1893.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARIA E. (WHITE) AND CARMI A. KING.

78. Joseph Stanley King, b. Oct. 27th, 1895.
78. Carl King, b. May 26th, 1897.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF ALBERT C. AND EMMA (SWARTZ) WHITE.

79. Edward Beecher White, b. March 18th, 1900.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARIA E. (WHITE) AND THOMAS E. STEEL.

80. Clement Beecher Steel, b. Oct. 1st, 1893.
80. Margretta Steel, b. Oct. 30th, 1894.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF NELLIE C. (WHITE) AND EDWARD C. MILLS.

Born at Columbus, Ohio.

81. Frances Josephine Mills, b. Sept. 18th, 1895.
81. Helen White Mills, b. March 17th, 1899.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF LIZZIE J. (PRINDLE) AND FRANKLIN P. CLAYPOOL.

82. —— son, b. Aug. 15th, 1886. d. in infancy.
82. Isaac Claypool, b. Aug. 14th, 1887.
82. Reuwillbee Aljacie Claypool, b. Oct. 17th, 1900.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARY A. (PRINDLE) AND DAVID A. ALSPAUGH.

83. Ivan Myron Alspaugh, b. Jan. 19th, 1886. d. Nov. 26th, 1890.
83. Delia Mary Alspaugh, b. Sept. 12th, 1887. d. June 27th, 1888.
83. James Shellenbarger Alspaugh, b. April 10th, 1889.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF FRANK W. AND MAUDE (MURPHY) BEERY.

84. Janetta Prene Beery, b. Nov. 21st, 1903.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF FREDERICK A. AND DELPHINE H. (COCHRANE) LAMB.

85. Frederick Allen Lamb, b. Jan. 23rd, 1895.
85. Anette Burr Lamb, b. Aug. 9th, 1898.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF WILLIAM H. F. AND CHARLOTTE H. (PINGRY) TWOMBLY.

86. Frances Cythera Twombly, b. Mitchell, S. D., Sept. 2nd, 1888.
86. Claude Ira Twombly, b. Mitchell, S. D., Dec. 19th, 1889.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF JOHN F. AND MABEL R. (WINCH) TWOMBLY.

87. Phyllis Twombly, b. Brookline, Mass., Jan. 10th, 1902.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF FRANCES C. (TWOMBLY) AND J. MONROE TAYLOR POPE.

88. Donald Twombly Pope, b. Plainfield, N. J., Feb. 3rd, 1896.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF JULIA (ST. JOHN) AND CHARLES A. VAN TASSEL.

89. Harry Van Tassel, b. Sept. 13th, 1880.
89. Bertha Van Tassel, b. Nov. 25th, 1883.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF EDWARD B. AND LILLIAS (MOREHOUSE) ST. JOHN.

Born in Sharon, Conn.

90. Nina Edna St. John, b. March 26th, 1881.
    m. Jan. 1st, 1902, Dr. John Moore, b. Saratoga, N. Y., Oct. 4th, 1860.
90. Frances Lucille St. John, b. May 25th, 1882.
    m. Oct. 21st, 1903, Henry Burnap Pitcher, b. Pine Plains, N. Y. July 29th, 1878.
90. Florence Anna St. John, b. Aug. 26th, 1884.
90. Minnie Elizabeth St. John, b. April 26th, 1887.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF ADALINE A. (ST. JOHN) AND JAMES B. REED.

91. Dorothy Elizabeth Reed, b. Sept. 16th, 1895.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF HERBERT ST. J. AND SUSAN MCI. (CONANT) WEBB.

92. Nathaniel Conant Webb, b. Sept. 30th, 1900.
92. Elizabeth St. John Webb, b. April 19th, 1904.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF MARGARET G. (KAUFFMAN) AND JOHN M. BARRINGER.

93. George Beecher Kauffman Barringer, b. Columbus, Ohio. March 26th, 1904.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF KATE (GERMOND) AND FRANCIS H. JOY.

94. John Germond Joy, b. 1894. d. Jan. 23rd, 1895.
94. Frances Joy.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF HARRIET J. (COBB) AND PROF. LEWIS F. ANDERSON.

95. Donald Benton Anderson, b. Schoolcraft, Mich, Sept. 1st, 1899.
95. Malcolm Graham Anderson, b. Marquette, Mich., Nov. 3rd. 1901.
95. Lewis Gordon Anderson, b. Marquette, Mich., Oct. 14th, 1904.

10th Generation.

FAMILY OF DELLA E. (COBB) AND DR. CARLE L. FELT.

96. Carle Lee Felt, b. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 22nd, 1903.

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